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Police and Owner Fail to Prevent Protest Meeting

1500 MOVE IN BODY FROM
ONE HALL TO ANOTHER
POLICE BAFFLED

Tar Victim Speaks

FASCIST ANTI-SEMITIC PA-
PERS SPRING UP IN
HEALDSBURG

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—A crowd estimated as 1500 persons found the door locked and a mobilization of police at Eagle's Hall on Golden Gate Ave. at 8 p. m. last night, the time announced for a mass protest meeting against the Santa Rosa vigilante terror. Solomon Nitzberg and Jack Green, the two workers kidnapped and tarred and feathered last Wednesday night, were advertised as main speakers. Prominent ministers and fraternal members were also listed on the program.

The American League Against War and Fascism earlier in the day had secured the hall by the payment of a ten dollar deposit. The meeting was called as an emergency with very little time for preparation. Word of mouth publicity was the main medium that secured the mass turn out.

* Two Arrested.

The night before and that afternoon, two workers were arrested for distributing leaflets advertising the meeting.

The crowd filled the street in front of the building and police maneuvered around the fringes as if waiting for a signal. A murmur of protest was sweeping through the throng.

The San Francisco Examiner had already printed its story that "police dispersed the crowd."

* Immediate Collection.

A member of the arrangements committee mounted the steps of the entrance, urged the workers to remain orderly, and explained that the management of the hall charged they must have full rental before opening doors. A collection was taken on the sidewalk and more than the necessary \$20 obtained. Volunteers were called for and a committee sent to the management with the money.

Perfect discipline was maintained in the face of a tense situation. Every worker in the crowd knew that the police were there to break them up. Still not a person deserted the scene. They (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7.)

20 L. A. YOUTH GROUPS JOIN IN ANTI-WAR MOVE

"DEFEND ETHIOPIA" IS
SLOGAN OF SEPT 7
DEMONSTRATION

By Lee Bradley
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28.—"March for Peace — Defend Ethiopia" is the slogan of young workers and students who plan a mass meeting and parade on International Youth Day here, September 7. Arrangements for activities are being made by the Peace Committee for IYD, made up of delegates from about twenty Los Angeles organizations.

September 7th, a day observed by the youth to protest against imperialism, has been chosen by the Peace Committee for this year as a day for Los Angeles Youth to protest against its immediate danger in the Italian invasion of Ethiopia.

The Peace Committee has united the following organizations: Young Friends of Ethiopia, Young Men's Advancement League, League of Struggle for Negro Rights, Young Communist League, World Alliance, League Against War and Fascism, Friends of the Soviet Union, the Communist Party, Christ Temple, three Peace Missions of Father Divine, the Church of God, Pioneer Gateway Progressive Association, Alta Quilada Club, Altru Society, and Aid Association.

Although the Peace Committee has asked the civic authorities for (Continued on Page 6, Col. 4.)

NAZI TERROR CONDEMNED BY L. A. MEETING

2000 CHEER ANTI-NAZI
SPEAKERS AT UNITED
FRONT RALLY

Terrorism Protested
FASCIST SYMPTOMS IN
AMERICA POINTED OUT
AS DANGER

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 29.—Uniting to combat Nazi terror, 2000 persons packed the Philharmonic Auditorium last night, calling on Roosevelt to censure Germany and possibly to break off diplomatic relations. An economic boycott of Nazi products was endorsed, and a united front of all anti-Nazi organizations urged through the Anti-Nazi League.

* Fight Together.

"When we're in battle," said Silver of the American Principles League, "I don't care if the man at my shoulder is a Communist. We'll fight together."

Reverend Clinton Taft, of the American Civil Liberties Union, referred to the fascist symptoms appearing in our own country, saying "We must first cleanse our own house of fascist terror."

Dr. Jacob Sonderling, former Hamburg chief rabbi, said, "I am sick of protest. We must fight."

* Work To Continue.

Katz, Co-editor of the Morning Freiheit, said, "We must boycott all fascist symptoms in America." Katz spoke for the Communist Party and received a great ovation.

Manchester Boddy, Daily News and Post Record Publisher, said, "We must fight fascist terror as true Americans, and develop tolerance."

The work begun at this meeting will be continued by the Anti-Nazi Committee of Southern California. This is a united front of Jewish organizations to protect Nazi brutality in Germany and fascist symptoms in the United States. Its headquarters are at 420 North Soto Street.

WORKERS SCHOOL PLANS OPENING FETE SEPT. 2ND

MRS. KINKEAD TO SPEAK
ON EDUCATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—The Opening Celebration of the San Francisco Workers School at 121 Haight st., which is set for the evening of Labor Day, September 2, will be an opportunity for workers in San Francisco to hear a prominent educator recently returned from the Soviet Union speak on "Education in Two Worlds." Mrs. Beatrice Kinkead, the speaker, has spent a great deal of time in the Soviet Union and can report with the understanding of both Soviet and American Educational institutions.

Besides this there will be entertainment, refreshments and dancing. The program for the Fall term of the Workers School are: Marxian Economy, Leninism, Trade Unionism, Labor Journalism, Principles of Communism, History of the American Working Class, Organization, Publicity for Workers and Public Speaking. All workers are urged to register for the fall term immediately.

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LATE VOTE RETURNS
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Complete returns from the Maritime Federation ballot against handling hot cargo were not available at a late hour this morning.

Results of the coast-wise longshore ballot were announced as 5243 against handling scab cargo and 4748 in favor; 8468 voted to renew the agreement and 1329 voted against.

See Page 3 for summary of the Seamen's Award.

Labor Party and Election Meets

SAN FRANCISCO
LABOR TICKET
MEET SAT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—The United Labor Conference for the Municipal Election will hold its second conference in the Building Trades Temple at Fourteenth and Guerrero streets, at 2 p. m., on Aug. 31.

This is the most important conference to be held. The job of adopting a platform, a tentative outline of which was drawn up at the first conference, and of choosing a slate of candidates, will be taken up. In addition, many organizations, which were not contacted in time to participate in the first conference, will be present. At the previous conference, on July 16, delegates representing 13 A. F. of L. trade unions attended.

The popularity of the united front of labor, backing its own candidates, was amply demonstrated at the mass meeting held at the Building Trades Temple on Aug. 21. There the present candidates for mayor were given a chance to present their programs.

Rossi, anti-labor mayor of San Francisco, did not even answer the invitation sent him. McSheehy, alleged friend of labor, was unwilling to present his program to an audience ready to appraise it for what it was worth. Chih, the only candidate to show up, was treated to the humiliation of having his program torn to bits besides the denunciations, clear proposals of the Labor Conference. In addition, his advocacy of a Federal Criminal Syndicalism Law condemned him in the eyes of all friends of labor.

A minimum of 30 organizations will participate in the Conference, approximately half of which will be trade unions. A Declaration of Principles will be adopted, calling for further work in the trade unions and stating the necessity for united action in the building of the Labor Party.

POLICE VICE PAYOFF LIFTS LID OFF WHOLE ROSSI MACHINE

Federal Revenue Collector Exacts Fee
from Prostitutes and Crooked Cops

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—"The Federal Government is not concerned with how a man obtains his income. However illegally he gets it, he must pay income taxes."

With this as his announced slogan, John V. Lewis, collector of internal revenue, set to work on San Francisco.

Observing that the most thriving and prevalent businesses were houses of prostitution and other vice industries, the conscientious collector easily obtained a partial list of addresses and proceeded to some collecting.

The girls, alarmed at entertaining the Federal government, jumped to the conclusion that the cops were squealing on them. They set up a counter-offensive of squealing and tipped off the collector to the main police payoffs.

Methodical, diligent Mr. Lewis put them on his list and paid them

SOVIET FIRM. REPLY TO U. S. NOTE CITES LACK OF FACTS

Socialist and Labor Leaders Express Protest
on Provocative Move

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—In spite of the flaring headlines and provocative editorial statements of the Hearst and general capitalist press, no evidence has been presented proving that the Soviet Government has in any way violated its agreement signed by Commissar for Foreign Affairs Litvinoff.

Latest news is that the State Department, after being forced into its uncomfortable position by extreme reactionaries in Wall Street imperialist circles, and with its "blunt" note widely publicized by Hearst, war-maker and Fascist No. 1 in the United States, now finds itself "in a quandary" by virtue of the firm reply delivered by Nicholas Krestinsky, assistant commissar. Litvinoff is in war-threatened Europe bringing the Soviet Union's peace policy to councils torn by fascist war-dog sentiments.

The Soviet note declares: "It

3 CITIES PLAN FIGHT AGAINST W. P. A. SET-UP

WORKERS OF EAST BAY.
LOS ANGELES, SAN
FRANCISCO, MEET

Call for Unity
RESOLUTIONS CALL FOR
CO-OPERATION OF A.
F. L. AND JOBLESS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—In a city-wide mass meeting here last night held under the auspices of the Public Works and Unemployed Union 500 workers, representing A. F. of L. unions and the unemployed, adopted a resolution calling for "an organized fight to secure jobs on public projects for all who cannot find other acceptable employment."

A committee of 13 was elected by the meeting to carry out the provision of this resolution. A major task of this committee will be to initiate and help form an all inclusive organization on every project, whether man or woman, skilled or unskilled, Negro or white, native or foreign-born, regardless of craft, age, race, political or religious beliefs.

Realizing that Roosevelt's shutdown of SERRA and the beginning of the new low wage on W.P.A. is not only a threat to the living standards of the unemployed, but also menaces the structure of trade union wages, the committee is instructed to work for the affiliation of all project organizations to the American Federation of Labor.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 29.—Forty-five delegates, representing 16 A. F. of L. unions and the Public Works and Unemployed Union met here last night in Painters' District Council Hall and unanimously adopted a resolution that the PWUC be represented on all A. F. of L. central bodies with fraternal delegates. The resolution pointed out that such close co-operation between the unions and the unemployed will be a great aid in rallying the unemployed to defend union wage standards and working conditions against the active threat of Roosevelt's "security wage" on relief work. In addition the struggle of the unemployed against scabbing will be strengthened.

A second resolution, also unanimously adopted, called for the representation of trade unionists and unemployed unions on WPA administrative committees.

The meeting set up an executive committee which is empowered to negotiate for these demands.

A mass meeting is being arranged to help organize the unemployed into the PWUC and the A. F. of L. against Roosevelt's "security wage." Date of the meeting was tentatively set as October 2nd.

OAKLAND, Aug. 29.—In an effort to combat the serious situation presented by the death of SERRA and the cut in relief budgets, the Alameda County Public Works and Unemployed Union has issued a call for a general East Bay conference to be held at Carpenter's Hall, Sunday, Sept. 15 at 1:30 p. m.

The call is addressed especially to the A. F. of L. unions, and also to all other working class organizations.

The Alameda County Council of the PWUC has also elected two delegates to the bay district conference of unemployed organizations called by the Office and Professional Workers Union in San Francisco.

CORRECTION
An article which appeared in the Workers' Correspondence section of our previous issue, headed "WORKERS MUST KEEP AWAY FROM THIS CAFETERIA" has been protested in one particular.

The story charged that the workers in the John Leighton Cafeteria on Fillmore St. work from 12 to 14 hours per day.

The Western Worker extends its apologies to the workers in the culinary unions of San Francisco for printing such a charge without first making an adequate investigation.

Shippers Launch Bitter Attack On Maritime Unions

Marine Workers
To Back Fed. in
Labor Day Fete

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Longshoremen and seamen on the waterfront here will march in the Labor Day parade September 2 as one body representing the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast.

This constitutes the workers' answer to the attempts of the shipowners and labor bureaucrats to hamstring the Federation and split the trade union unity between the Maritime unions.

The Sailors' Union of the Pacific has decided that the books of all members not marching in the parade will be stamped to this effect, and in red ink.

B.C. SHIPOWNERS ASKED TO TREAT WITH STRIKERS

S. F. BARGEMEN, SCALERS
IN ADVANCE TOWARD
STRIKE VICTORY

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 29.—Convinced that the striking dock workers here can neither be sold out or forced back until they win recognition of their union and other demands, Grote Stirling national minister of defense for Canada, last week declared the "longshoremen have the right to collective bargaining."

In this connection and speaking as a private citizen, he urged the Shipping Federation and the strikers get together and negotiate for settlement of the long strike.

The West Coast vote against lifting the boycott on scab loader cargo from the British Columbia strike area has given the shipowners here quite a shock. While pretending that "business in the port will go on as usual," they have admitted publicly that the "no scab cargo vote" of the Maritime Federation and the Longshoremen will curtail seriously their business in key industries such as the Powell River Paper Company.

Striking longshoremen here received the news of the Federation solidarity with tremendous enthusiasm.

LOCKOUT BROKEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Contractor who attempted to wreck the Ship Scalers' Union here by declaring a lock-out against union gangs, this week found themselves locked out in turn when the Grace Line, agent for the Panama Pacific Line at Pier 35 began hiring scalers without consulting the contractors.

Previously Sailors and Marine Firemen had refused to do scalers' work when asked to do so by certain shipowners.

The Grace Line action came as a result of the co-operation and solidarity between the seamen and the Ship Scalers who had been locked out following a strike against the Martin Ship Service Company several weeks ago.

* Fink Herding Fails.

Following that strike, the contractors, with one exception, formed a united front against the union and flatly refused to negotiate or to hire union workers. Attempts were then made to organize a fink union but these too failed.

The Ship Scalers are affiliated with the International Longshoremen's Association. Officials of the union today pointed out, however, the strike is not over yet.

In this connection Woolf, president of the organization, stressed the union's need for more funds to carry the struggle through to a successful conclusion. Since the beginning of the strike the scalers have conducted a strike kitchen where members are fed and have (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2.)

DISCUSSIONS OF SEAMEN
ON NEW DEMANDS
IRES BOSSES

Men Ignore Baiting

FORMER M.W.I.U. MEMBERS
ADMITTED TO I.S.U.
LOCALS IN S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Quietly disregarding an eleven-hour deluge of red-baiting denunciations from shipowners and international officers and reactionary district officials, longshoremen here were preparing to renew present agreements while seamen were to ask changes in old awards leading to improved conditions.

Seamen and longshoremen alike are determined neither the shipowners nor their flunkies, the top union officials, will split the unity between them.

But working in harmony with the employers who, above all would like to force a split in this unity, were the red-baiting top officials of at least two international maritime unions. They attacked the rank and file and its leadership in an open attempt to break the united front which the workers have built in defense of their gains during the past year.

Victor Olander, secretary-treasurer of the International Seamen's Union on Thursday issued a statement on a par with those of the Santa Rosa vigilantes when he declared, "I think the time is fast approaching when the seamen might very well consider the advisability of applying a coat of tar to their traducers."

Previously Paddy Morris, district secretary of the International Longshoremen's Association had attacked Harry Bridges, fighting president of the San Francisco longshoremen and practically the only I.L.A. official to stress the need for a united front of maritime workers against the shipowners.

Joseph Ryan, international president of the longshoremen and a "ool of the shipowners, echoed statements of the employers who had attempted to see in Bridges' fight for the rank and file a "Moscow plot."

And on top of this, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the so-called "Committee of 1000," and the California Crusaders publicly announced their determination to (Continued on Page 6, Col. 7.)

SELBY PICKETS DRIVEN OUT OF COMPANY TOWN

"STREETS ARE PRIVATE
PROPERTY" DEPUTIES
ANNOUNCE

BULLETIN
CROCKETT, Calif., Aug. 30.—The injunction sought by the American Smelting and Refining Co. barring pickets from the company town of Tormey, was denied on a technicality. Another application for an injunction has been filed, however.

CROCKETT, Calif., Aug. 30.—In a court move to break the strike of 450 smelter workers at its Selby plant, the American Smelting and Refining Company is seeking an injunction against the Union. Superior Judge A. F. Bray has already issued a temporary restraining order, barring pickets from the company town of Tormey, and the order has been enforced by the sheriff and his deputies.

On the morning of August 22 pickets stopped a box car load of groceries from being delivered at the struck plant. A few hours later they were ordered out of the town by armed deputies and were informed that the streets of Tormey were the private property of the company. (controlled by the Guggenheim interests). The 2 streets leading to the highway were roped off at the intersection, and the picket line was established there.

The Company turned these same (Continued on Page 2, Col. 6.)

Davis, Missing Seaman Found Safe In San Francisco

THREE MURDERED IN CAVEIN OF OAKLAND TUNNEL PROJECT

Workers State Six Companies Were Slave Drivers—Speedup Caused Deaths

OAKLAND, Calif., Aug. 29.—Murdered by the private profit greed of their employers, three IWA workers were crushed between tons of earth in a cave-in on the Oakland Broadway tunnel project today. Their bodies are still deep in the earth and engineers report they may not be recovered for several days.

Interviews with workers on the project reveal that the tragedy can in no way be interpreted as accident but was the natural outcome of the merciless speedup and the greedy economy which ruled the project.

One worker reports: "It is a wonder to me it didn't happen long ago. The only thing that was holding that roof up was luck. I was damn glad to get out of the hole."

"Hardly a day went by but what men went to the hospital with unnecessary injuries. I was one of them. I got a bad cut that developed an infection."

* **Scab Wages.** "The job was being done on scab wages and no first rate, experienced men would go into it and if they did wouldn't stay long. They valued their necks too much."

"Miners who should have been getting \$1.10 an hour were being paid 75 cents. Chuck-tenders were being paid 75 cents while the others were paid 65 cents. On top of this they had to do miners' work."

"Shifters and walkers (gang-bosses) were paid a dollar a foot for the progress they made and drove the men for all they were worth."

"On top of this the men had to furnish their own boots, slickers and hats."

"A week ago the job was declared to be so rotten and dangerous that most of the men were laid off. Enough of a crew was kept to try to strengthen the timbers."

* **Danger Obvious.** "Nobody envied them because anyone could see if you monkeyed with those props the whole works was going to come down. Some of them quit and when they began hiring others to take their places, they cut wages again. A more starvation, miserly pack of b—s, you never saw before."

"Chuck-tenders were hired back at 60 cents instead of 75. Concrete workers were hired back at 60 cents instead of 78."

"The job is being handled by the Six Companies and no matter what end of their dealings

L.A. Maps Drive for Daily Worker Fund

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28.—All workers' organizations are urged to send delegates to the Daily Worker Conference, meeting every Monday at 8 p. m. at 230 South Spring street, which is driving to complete the \$1500 quota for this session.

Painters Local 1348 has already turned in \$6.25 in the drive to fill up the "war chest" of the Daily Worker. All trade unions and mass organizations are asked to participate in this campaign to sustain and develop the Daily Worker as a genuine working class paper.

Fight for Unity of employed and unemployed organizations.

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FORCED OUT OF TOWN BY ARMED EMPLOYER GANG

BEATEN FOR THIRD TIME BECAUSE OF EFFORT TO PROSECUTE

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—Harry R. Davis, militant rank and file member of the International Seamen's Union, missing since July 16, and feared kidnapped by the notorious Friedl gangsters, has been located in San Francisco.

Davis was attacked and beaten twice by the Beef Squad in San Pedro. On the second occasion he was taken by the gangsters to police headquarters and put through a brutal third degree in the sneering presence of Lieutenant Roscoe Sowell, clearly showing the close collaboration of authorities with the gang activities.

During the height of the wave of terrorism, police attacked the gang leader, Friedl and blew his brains out with a sawed off shotgun. Observers believe that this was done because the gunman and erstwhile union faker knew too much.

* **Eye Endangered.** In the second beating, several of Davis' ribs were broken and serious injury done to his left eye.

Davis took the matter up with the International Labor Defense in Los Angeles and was preparing to prosecute responsible parties.

On July 16 he dropped out of sight and was not seen until he reported to union headquarters in San Francisco a few days ago.

Davis was on his way to a conference with the International Labor Defense on the day of his disappearance. As he stepped from the street car, a group of men in a car parked at the curb called him over, announced themselves to be police officers, ordered Davis into the car and said they were taking him to Lincoln Heights police station.

* **Third Slugging.** Instead of this, they took him to a vacant lot near the railroad, slugged him again and forced him to take a nearby freight train out of town.

Sick, dazed, in a serious state of collapse from his three beatings, Davis got off the freight at Colton and spent the night there. Next day he moved on to Banning. By now his eye was so bad that he feared permanent loss of sight. He sought medical aid in Banning and remained there a few weeks.

Meanwhile, he was all unknowing of the state-wide search that had been instituted and the fear that he had either been murdered or kidnapped.

Recovered from his wounds, he came directly to San Francisco and reported.

Davis is preparing a full, signed affidavit of his whole experience which will be published in the next issue of the Western Worker.

OAKLAND, Calif., Aug. 29.—Following is the account of the regular weekly session of the Alameda County Central Labor Council. Wm. Spooner, secretary of the council found himself again exposed before the rank and file as a faker without an equal.

The August 26th meeting was one of the most turbulent in many months. Accusations flew and red-baiting was indulged in till two delegates all but got into a fist fight during an argument about the Public Works and Unemployed Union.

The first order of business was a resolution introduced by Rowan of the Street Carmen, which condemned the Santa Rosa vigilante outrage and demanded of Governor Merriam "that martial law be declared in Sonoma County until civil authority can be re-established." The resolution was passed unanimously.

The Executive Committee rendered its report, but when a vote was called for its acceptance delegate Wagoner called attention to the fact that two weeks ago he had made a motion to have a committee of four appointed to cooperate with the unemployed on an investigation of the whole W.P.A. set-up. It had been referred to the Executive Committee with instructions to report back at the next Council meeting. The report had never been brought back, and Wagoner moved that this report be not received. The Council finally refused to receive the report by a vote of 26 to 32.

A motion was made to appoint

UNITED FRONT FIGHT AGAINST WAR CONTINUES

(Continued from Page 1)

turing, comes news of wide mass anti-imperialist demonstrations, with threats of possible widespread general strike actions against war measures of all kinds.

* **Second International Meets.** The stand of the Communist International is uncompromising organization of anti-war measures, directed in each case by the workers and their allies against their own capitalist class. Now it is reported that the General Council of the International Federation of Trade Unions and the executive council of the Labor and Socialist International (Second International) will meet on Sept. 6 to consider "war crisis" plans.

Since the Communist (Third) International has repeatedly sought a united front agreement on all major questions of interest to the international working class, especially for unity of the trade unions and for militant joint action against war and fascism, it remains to be seen whether or not the present great emergency will make the Socialist and "right" trade union leaders take a bold step forward, or whether they will "ebate ineffectually and indecisively as their forerunners did in August 1914 in a similar emergency, whereupon the workers' fighting organization was crippled and the war broke the unity achieved by generations of struggle.

* **Communist International's Stand.** The decision of the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International, recently adjourned, come therefore as the most timely guide to action in face of the mounting war danger. In the words of George Dimitroff, general secretary of the ECCI, and L. D. Sovsky, head of the red international of trade unions: "Unity of all anti-war and anti-fascist groups, all trade union bodies and international working class organizations must and will be achieved."

* **Boycott Hearst Advertisers!**

Western Worker Benefit Sept. 7th

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—As part of the campaign to broaden the scope and influence of the Western Worker, a benefit social will be held Saturday, September 7, at 8 p. m. at 2325 Miramar street, one block north of Third street and two blocks west of Alvarado, Los Angeles. Conrade J. E. Snyder will lecture on the Soviet Union and the vital role of the Western Worker.

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Faker In East Bay Labor Council Gets Caught In More Phenagling

Spooner Lied About Strike Vote, Dodges Apology—Sabotaged Nut Packers—Trips Himself With Police Manual

this investigation committee at once. During debate Wagoner was heckled by another delegate. They finally went for each other and had to be pulled apart.

* **Reads Police Manual.** Wm. Spooner, secretary to the Council and faker-in-chief, got up and hauled out the red scare. He produced a "police manual" and declared that the Public Works and Unemployed Union was listed in it as a "Communist controlled organization." He hunted through it deliberately, but failed to find the P.W.U.U. mentioned and offered the lame excuse that he must have left the communication in his office. He then read an anonymous letter which gave a full list of all the officers in the Council of the P.W.U.U.

Many delegates criticized Spooner as a red-baiter, and reminded him that he had instructions not to read any letters before the Council that did not bear an official seal. They asked why he should read a police manual and an unsigned letter to slander the P.W.U.U.

The whole matter was again referred to the Executive Committee. Since the next two Mondays fall on holidays there can be no action on the P.W.U.U. investigation until Sept. 16.

* **Selby Strikers Report.** Two representatives from the Selby smelter strikers gave a report. 100 men picket 24 hours a day in 8-hour shifts. The Council voted \$25 to the strike fund.

PWU KEPT OUT OF L. A. LABOR PARADE ON 2ND

JOBLESS CARPENTERS AND PAINTERS WILL MARCH AS PWU MEMBERS

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—Officially denied participation in the Labor Day Parade by the Central Labor Council, the organized unemployed in the Public Works & Unemployed Union will express their unity with organized labor on September 2nd by having their unemployed carpenters and painters parade under the banners of the Painters and Carpenters District Councils.

Under the inspiration of Secretary J. W. Buzzell and President Harry Sherman, the Central Labor Council has invited Mayor Shaw, bitter labor enemy, to head the parade, and such notorious capitalist tools as Municipal Judge Arthur A. Crum and Police Chief Davis to be present on the reviewing stand.

Only spokesmen for the Carpenters and Painters chose unity with the Unemployed on Labor Day, by unofficially inviting unemployed members of their crafts to parade with them.

A communication from the Public Works & Unemployed Union, asking on behalf of its trade union membership, that the unemployed locals be invited to participate in the parade, was tabled without even being read at the last meeting of the Central Labor Council. Secretary J. W. Buzzell, President Harry Sherman and other labor fakers manipulated so that the communication was tabled and so that Claire Lee Purdy, PWU leader, was denied the floor to speak on the question.

Although the Central Labor Council machine collaborated with the police and Chamber of Commerce to stifle use of banners and slogans in the parade, it is anticipated that many union locals will violate this collaboration and will parade with slogans relative to their immediate demands.

The parade will start at Venice Boulevard and Broadway, and will be routed down Broadway to the City Hall where there will be a reviewing stand. Here, Buzzell and Sherman have arranged for the presence of the most vicious anti-labor politicians of the city, Chief Davis and Judge Crum.

Socialist Leaders Block United Front

CINCINNATI, O., Aug. 27.—The State Committee of the Socialist Party refused to permit its Cincinnati local to enter into a united front pact with the Communist Party, in spite of the fact that the pact was ratified by the membership.

NAPA BOSSES ORGANIZING

By a Worker Correspondent
NAPA, Calif.—The workers here are plenty mad about the way those dirty rats handled the workers in Santa Rosa. One of the rats was over there the other day—ROGERS THOMAS, of the local Federal re-employment service.

And the next day Sheriff J. P. Steckler turned "head hunter" and is organizing a vigilante committee. Some of the workers are just beginning to know Mr. Steckler now.

It looks like the Napa Journal and the Napa Registrar are having a race to get a Hearst medal.

The Napa Journal announces: "It is pleasing to know that Napa County, too, is to have a Vigilante Committee and it is likewise pleasing to know that our own Committee is to be entirely law abiding and will be formed at the request and under the direction of Sheriff J. P. Steckler, with each person duly authorized to act—under the orders of the sheriff!"

JUDGE DENIES INJUNCTION IN SELBY STRIKE

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streets over to the County some time ago. And the County paid for travelling, paying, and surfacing. Deputies now patrol them, and pink passes are issued by the County to the residents. When asked where the County got its authority, the deputy in charge said that 90 days after the road is paved by the County it reverts to the County. The union wants to know whether the County paves the private roads of the corporations, or the public highways.

The ship "Borgestad" has left the Selby dock with half its cargo of lead and gold ore still in the hold. The longshoremen had unloaded part of the cargo, but refused to finish the job after the smelter workers walked out. Since the ore that remained was nearly all on one side, it left her with a bad list.

The strike, which began Monday, Aug. 19, for minimum wage of \$5 per day and improved working conditions, is under the leadership of Carquinez Local No. 51 of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

Detroit Labor Body Protests Kramer Bill

DETROIT, Aug. 27.—The Detroit Federation of Labor passed a resolution protesting the Kramer anti-union bill, which would outlaw the Communist Party and other workers organizations, and the labor press.

a rakeoff of \$4 per head on the members' \$5 initiation fee. He has denounced their strike as "unauthorized." (Ed.)

A delegate asked why these workers in the Rosenberg Plant had not asked the Council to help them organize.

The answer was: "We came to Spooner to ask his aid and he said it would be necessary to have 50 names before he could ask for a charter. When we came back with over 50 names he said we would have to have 100, so we got the 100 and came back. He then said we would need 150—so after that we decided to organize our own union as best we could."

* **Machinists Demand Apology.**

The Machinists demanded Spooner's apology for his attack on their business agent in this affair. He squirmed out of it. Immediately the delegate from the Auto Mechanics demanded an apology for Spooner's saying he (the Mechanics' delegate) had been present at the Nut Packers' meeting without authorization. He offered to show Spooner his written authorization but Spooner refused to look at it.

Heide, of the Warehousemen, reported that the struggle at the Santa Cruz Cannery is a lock-out. He and Bob Moore have been arrested and framed on charges of tampering with a switch. Their hearing will be Friday in Judge Tyrrel's court.

The SERA Union was denied the privilege of seating fraternal delegates on the Council. (This union, a relatively small group, is a dual outfit in the field of the P.W.U.U.)

UTILITY WORKERS UNION IN STRUGGLE FOR RECOGNITION

Two Officials Ousted By Rank and File for Cooperation With Pacific Gas and Electric Company

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Mickey Powers, company owned president of the Utility Gas and Electric Workers Union, was expelled from the union by unanimous vote at a general meeting held here August 23. Along with him went Thomas Moran, a former member of the Executive Committee of Local No. 1, San Francisco.

Powers and Moran were charged with signing and circulating a petition addressed to the National Labor Board and the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, purporting to come from members of the union, protesting that the officers and executive committee of the local have no authority to represent the membership in collective bargaining with the company, and were not selected for that purpose by the non-union workers of the firm.

* **Stool Pigeon.** The petition has been traced to the former stool-pigeon secretary Paterson who has been ordered to appear in court to explain his actions. He was thrown out of the union a year ago under suspicion of stealing union funds and still works in the general office of the P. G. & E.

The petition undoubtedly originated with the company as an attempt to sabotage the election that was ordered held by the Regional Labor Board (five days before the NRA was declared unconstitutional) to determine whether the Utility Workers Union should represent all the employees in the P. G. & E. physical forces. It is expected that the election will be held now under the Wagner Labor Disputes Act.

* **Militant President.** The incoming president, Dave DeWitt, has a long record of militant labor activity and is popular with the rank and file. During the two years of its existence the Utility Workers' Union has grown to a membership of 3,500, comprising seven locals, and will be an important factor in future labor struggles.

The company, which helped put Tom Mooney in prison, knows this and is using every method known to sabotage the union by intimidation of the workers. During the last two weeks thirteen union men have been fired without just cause. Some of them have long service records with the company.

The union, on the other hand, is beginning to feel its power and has threatened action against the company unless the men are re-instated.

of the situation from the viewpoint of their organizations. Two ministers, the Rev. Throckmorton and the Rev. James Strayer of the Fellowship of Reconciliation voiced the protest of the clergy.

Ben Legere of the S. E. Democratic Council reported the experience of the American League investigation committee to Santa Rosa.

A resolution was passed for the boycott of Eagle's Hall. Already the reservation for the Mooney Mass Meeting which was to be held there September 16 has been cancelled.

Calls for volunteers to form a protest caravan to go to Santa Rosa brought raised hands all over the hall.

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Aug. 28.—Immediately following the reign of fascist vigilante terror in this County, an antisemitic paper, the "Sentinel" has come into existence in Healdsburg. The fascist content of this paper clearly identifies it with the vigilantes.

* **Police Collaboration.** Workers have reported that they have full evidence that gas bombs used by the vigilantes came from the Petaluma police station. Information has also been received that vigilantes had specified plans to go to Cotati Friday night and duplicate their raids there, but that a split has occurred in their ranks caused by Nitzberg's shotgun defense of his home. Such a reception was unexpected by most of the mob who backed out of further raids as a result.

Attorney General U. S. Webb, under tremendous protest from every part of the state, has backed water on his previous refusal to have any hand in the Santa Rosa affair. He has addressed a letter to District Attorney Cowan here instructing him to go ahead and prosecute vigilantes if he thought he had any evidence. However, this letter is so mild and formal in content as to constitute nothing more than lip service. Effective legal action against the raiders still depends upon the protests and demands of the public which must continue.

It was Nitzberg's heroic defense of his home more than anything else which served to dampen the fanaticism of the vigilantes and cause them to abandon other attacks already scheduled. Surprise mob attacks on individual, unarmored workers was in their line. To charge a blazing shotgun was a little more than they bargained for.

Jack Green, the other tar and feather victim was unable to be present for the meeting.

* **Ministers Speak.** Other speakers covered phases

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

EAST OF THE Rockies

Socialist Jailed Farm Workers Strike Tiff Strike Won Masons for Herndon

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—Pow-ers Hapgood, a member of the Socialist Party national executive committee was arrested here, when he visited the jail on charge that he had made derogatory remarks about military authorities. Terre Haute has been under martial law since National Guardsmen were brought here on July 22 to suppress the general strike. All liberty of speech is forbidden; as was shown in the arrest of Hapgood.

CHARLESTON, ILL.—Farm laborers here have gone on strike for a wage scale of 45 cents in stead of the 30 cents they are now getting. A vigilante group of 300 landowners is patrolling the fields in an effort to keep the strike from spreading. The strike comes in the middle of the corn harvesting season.

POTOSI, MO.—Washington county miners voted to accept the offer of four principal operators in this district boosting wages rates \$1.50 a ton. The miner had originally demanded \$2, and the operators had offered \$1 short. The wage boost means the miners will average \$5 to \$8 a week instead of \$3 to \$5 as heretofore. Miners attribute their victory to prompt organization of a union and militant picketing in defiance of the usual injunction secured by the operators.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—The Pennsylvania Masonic Organization, a Negroes voted unanimously to endorse the "Free Herndon Campaign" at its monthly meeting here. It was decided to send 100 open signature petitions to the hundred lodges in the state, and to invite them to the "Save Herndon" Western Pennsylvania conference to be held on September 14.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—A strike of 500 workers at the O'Neil Glass Company plant resulted from failure of the management to meet demands for 10 per cent wage increases, lighter work for women, and time and a half for overtime. At present women get 32 and a half cents an hour; men, 42 and a half cents.

The 425 who struck first belong to the Glass Bottle Blowers' Association, A. F. of L.

The other 75, who walked out in sympathy belong to various A. F. of L. unions.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Two hundred and fifty cleaners and dyers have gone on strike against wage cuts in five plants of this district. One has already been forced to resume operations under terms of the union contract which had been violated. The employers had attempted to put through a 50 per cent reduction in piece rate work and to lengthen the work from 40 to 54 hours. The strikers are members of the A. F. of L. Cleaners and Dyers Union.

Ventura Rotary Begins Military Survey of Youth

VENTURA, Calif., Aug. 22.—The Rotary Club of this city, together with the American Legion, Elks, Lions, Soroptimists, and other organizations, have organized a "Big Brother Movement" and are making a survey of the unemployed movement of this area.

The are circulating a questionnaire among parents to check up on how many children they have, how many are not working, not attending school and are without proper supervision. It is supposed to be for the purpose of gathering data to help "the Administration at Washington in solving the problem of security for the aged and re-employment for the youth."

In commenting on Roosevelt's military CCC camps the questionnaire states that "public sentiment is now demanding that new fields of endeavor be perfected for those (youth) who have not adapted themselves to camp life."

This "public sentiment" obviously emanates from an ambitious Chamber of Commerce, which clearly sees that, while the CCC is preparing thousands for the next war, there are many more thousands of youth not in the camps who can be regimented and prepared at home.

Sonoma Communists Answer Vigilantes

TEACHER FIRED FOR SYMPATHY WITH STRIKERS

USED TEXTBOOK WHICH
HAD CHAPTER ABOUT
THE SOVIET UNION

EUREKA, Calif., Aug. 28.—Jewett's resistance by Victor Eureka Board of Education in firing him from the Junior High School staff without a hearing, and in contradiction of the teacher tenure law, is getting the word into difficulties.

Jewett is an admittedly excellent teacher; but he had been on a strike-picket line (after school hours) during the lumber strike. His course in "Social Studies" was deemed a little too dangerous by liberal. Students might begin to think. There was even a chapter of the new Russia in the textbook used. (An outstanding textbook by Rugg of Columbia used in hundreds of schools all over the country.)

Salary Cut.
They first cut his salary 20%, saying he would resign. Then they transferred him from the Social Studies to Mathematics, a safer subject. Still he didn't resign. He was quizzed at length by the District Attorney, inflammatory articles against him appeared in the news; the vigilantes threatened to "take things into their own hands." Still the fellow remained unflinching.

So the Board charged him with professional conduct and fired him.

Protest Action.

When protests against this act of illegality, from the Eureka Federated Trades and Labor Council, the local unions, the Bay Area Federation of Teachers, and other groups failed to receive attention from the Board, the Teachers' Union Defense Committee began to take a hand. A court mandate against the Board has been issued, and it is probable that Jewett will not only collect the overdue check remaining unpaid, but that he will be re-instated.

Meanwhile, Jewett has appeared before a number of labor meetings in the Bay region to tell his story, and at the suggestion of the secretary of the American Federation of Teachers, has gone to Oakland to present his case before the Federation of the National Convention. Every cooperation is promised by the Federation which believes that the fight must be fought to a finish.

DETROIT WOMEN MEAT STRIKERS WIDEN FIGHT

WANT NATIONAL STRIKE
FOR 20 PER CENT CUT

DETROIT, Aug. 29.—Picketing of meat stores here continued for the fifth week since the housewives of Detroit went on strike against the high price of meat.

At the same time a High Cost of Living Conference, with 18 unions represented, urged the spread of the meat strike to other cities, and the establishment of Friday and Saturday as national meatless days. Another resolution called for Congressional investigation of the meat trusts.

It was pointed out to doubters at the conference that the lower meat prices would help the million butcher, by giving him more business and more work, and that the strike was directed not against the farmer, but only against the big packers.

Delegations of women strikers visited both Chicago and Washington. In Chicago the packers were bluntly shown from official sources that the alleged "shortage" of meat which is held responsible for meat prices advancing 40 per cent in two years is nonexistent. Congressmen in Washington were told to investigate the big profits made by the large packers for advancing prices.

The conference called upon all women to bring their husbands into trade unions, to patronize union shops, and to aid the unions in all strikes.

STRIKE BRINGS SHUTDOWN FOR OAKLAND PLANT

ROSENBERG WORKERS ARE
100 PER CENT SOLID

OAKLAND, Calif., Aug. 29.—The second week of the strike at the Rosenberg dried fruit and nut packing plant and terminal finds the ranks of the strikers 100 per cent solid and the plant closed up tight. Strong picket lines are being maintained.

The bosses still refuse to meet with the committee, and the workers here again appeal to those laboring in the San Jose and Fresno plants of the company to support this strike by refusing to handle "hot stuff" that would ordinarily be packed in Oakland.

A benefit dance will be given at McFadden's 1331 Room, 1433 Broadway, Wednesday, September 4. The proceeds will benefit both the Rosenberg strikers and the locked-out men at the Santa Cruz Cannery.

"We Will Stay" Reds Proclaim

Banks Holding Mortgages on Small Farms
Are in Back of the Santa Rosa
Fascist Vigilante Mobs

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Aug. 28.—Repeating the bragado claim of the Sonoma County vigilantes, the Communist Party of the U. S. A., Sonoma Section, has issued and distributed a public statement, proclaiming its firm establishment. The statement reads in full:

"WE WILL STAY"
Statement of the Sonoma Section, Communist Party, U. S. A. Vigilante gangsters at the head of a fanatical mob of half-drunk local and imported thugs are attempting, through beatings and terror, to force Sonoma County Communists and others to leave the County. They work with the open co-operation of the police and the sheriff's office. They parade their cars through town with their license plates covered, prevent perfectly legal union meetings, terrorize citizens in their homes, beat, tar and feather two workers—and the "majesty of the law" DOES NOT intervene.

Who is behind this bestial fascist terrorism and why do they wish to drive out the Communist Party, a legal political party? It is the bankers with their Chamber of Commerce and heads of the American Legion. They wish to break the Communist Party because they know it is the only force that constantly fight to improve the intolerable conditions of workers and farmers. In their fanatical error to seize anybody whom they even suspect of sympathy to the cause of the working class.

The bankers who hold mortgages on many Sonoma County farms are terrified to think that they may have to pay a living wage to the workers who harvest the crops. They know that the Public Works and Unemployed Union, the militant union of the unemployed who are being forced into the fields, fights for decent living wages. Therefore, to these bankers, it is imperative to smash the Union and the Communist Party which hinder their wage cutting plans.

It is the bankers who set the wage the mortgaged farmers may pay—thus seeing that the banker gets his "pound of flesh," regardless of how low a wage the worker gets.

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COMMUNISTS ANSWER
Reproduction of leaflet distributed in streets of Santa Rosa.

IT IS THIS QUESTION OF MISERABLE LOW WAGES THAT THE BANKERS AND THEIR AGENTS TRY TO HIDE WITH THEIR BARAGE OF ANTI-COMMUNIST VIOLENCE, WHICH IN REALITY IS VIOLENCE AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THE ENTIRE WORKING CLASS.

But their terrorism will fail to crush the Communist Party, just as every other attempt of a fascist butcher has failed throughout the world. Hitler's bloody fascist terror has failed to destroy the heroic Communist Party of Germany, as Mussolini failed in Italy—and the result is that these Communist Parties are now very close to wiping these butchers and the decaying capitalist society which produced them off the face of the earth! The Communist Party will continue to expose the blood-sucking capitalist bankers, big business men and their agents, the police, the lying capitalist press and the hired thugs.

WORKERS, SMALL FARMERS AND SMALL BUSINESS MEN: Rally around your Communist Party, the courageous and unflinching vanguard of the entire oppressed classes of the world! Defeat the vicious attempts of

BEET WORKERS MAKE DEMANDS IN ORANGE CO.

COMMITTEE REPRESENTING
1000 WORKERS AWAIT
SEPT. 10 MEETING

SANTA ANA, Calif., Aug. 27.—Representing more than 1000 beet field workers, a committee today had wrung from the Holly Sugar Corporation the admission that wages should be raised from their present low levels and that such a recommendation had been made to the Farm Bureau.

The committee presented a series of 7 demands to the Holly Sugar Corporation of Oxnard, and to the Farm Bureau, organization of growers. The Farm Bureau replied that it was arranging a series of conferences over wage levels.

The committee, representing rank and file workers in the Campesinos' Union, the Orange County Workers Clubs and unorganized beet workers assembled in town councils, presented the following demands:

1. Minimum pay of 50 cents per hour, an increase from the present rate of 22 1/2 cents.
2. Abolition of piece work on tonnage scale.
3. An eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime.
4. The elimination of contractors.
5. Growers to provide good water and tools to workers.
6. Recognition of collective bargaining.

The Mexican workers, through Nicholas Avila, yesterday offered to submit their demands to arbitration, but the growers refused, saying, however, to meet again Sept. 30.

Newspaper Guild Plans New Paper

LOKAIN, O., Aug. 27.—The Newspaper Guild is taking a poll of the public here to find out their attitude on the formation of a new paper to replace the Lokain Journal, which locked out seven of its editorial staff, and against which a strike is now in progress.

The vigilantes to rule and ruin. Today they attack the Communists. Tomorrow they will attack all trade unions, Catholics, Protestants, Masons, etc. as Hitler does in fascist Germany. STOP this incipient American Fascism before it engulfs us, by organizing the workers and farmers against it.

BUILD THE ANTI-FASCIST UNITED FRONT!
Sonoma Section, Communist Party, U. S. A., Section of the Communist International.

10 ARRESTED IN UTAH JOBLESS DEMONSTRATION

RIOT CHARGE LODGED AS
FERA RESTORES RELIEF

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 30.—Preliminary hearings for ten workers arrested in a police drive against unemployed will take place on September 4.

Eight of the workers were arrested and charged with Criminal Syndicalism (later reduced to rioting) during an unemployed demonstration at the relief station here more than a week ago. Four police were beaten and the relief station partly smashed as a result of the unprovoked attack.

The Unemployment Councils called another demonstration on Saturday, August 24, and the entire police force was mobilized to prevent workers from protesting against the stoppage of Federal Emergency Relief funds. Two more workers were arrested at this time.

Following the Saturday demonstration, protest meetings were being organized throughout the County.

Police Terror Rages.

Meanwhile bail had been set at \$2500 each for the ten arrested and the International Labor Defense is conducting a campaign to raise this as soon as possible.

The police department has organized a "red squad" which is on the hunt for other militant workers and which actively is attempting to intimidate the unemployed.

But as a result of the demonstration and protests the relief administration has announced that "another allotment of money has been received which would restore budgets to near normal amounts." The FERA stated, through the capitalist press, that it "did not know the money was available."

Rush Funds.

Protests demanding the immediate release of the ten arrested workers should be sent immediately to Judge Ellet, City and County Building in Salt Lake City and Ray Van Cott Jr., prosecutor, at the same address.

Funds to aid in raising the bail and fighting the cases are badly needed. (Efforts will be made to have the outrageously high bail reduced.) All money for this purpose should be sent to the International Labor Defense, 511 Boyd Park Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Drive the reactionaries out of the unions. Elect rank-and-file representatives. Fight for trade union democracy.

FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

Harvest Progress Nazi Jew Baiting Projected Flight Japanese Casualties

SOVIET UNION—Harvesting of the largest crop in the history of Russia is rapidly nearing completion. On Aug. 20, the area harvested in the entire Soviet Union amounted to 159,000,000 acres, or 76 per cent of the total grain area. This exceeds by 13,750,000 acres the area harvested at the same time last year, although ten days before, because of rainy July weather, the amount was less than the year previous. The collective farms of the Ukraine have completed entirely the harvest on an area exceeding 36,250,000 acres.

GERMANY—Nazi prosecution of Jews continued unabated. A Cologne paper printed high praise of the enormous dedication of a pillory in Wismar upon which are posted the names of all citizens buying in Jewish owned stores.

The national Social Teachers League demanded the exclusion of Jewish children from the public schools on the ground that a few can never understand the Germanic State and constitution. Several towns have warned business men and unemployed that if they bought anything from Jews they would be excluded from municipal orders and relief, respectively. In Dresden, Julius Streicher has ordered read at the weekly shop assemblies, at which the workers are forced to fall into line like soldiers, a violent diatribe against the Jews. They are pictured as a mixture of Nordies, Mongols, and Negroes, carrying in their souls the bad qualities of these races.

SOVIET UNION—The projected flight of Levanevsky from Moscow to San Francisco has been postponed until next summer, according to Professor Otto Schmidt, head of the Northern Sea Route. The first flight was abandoned after an oil line leak was discovered. Subsequent examination showed the plane still in good condition, and a number of successful trial flights were made.

The colder weather makes a flight over the Northpole impossible after the middle of August. Besides the danger of ice forming in the overcooled damp air, the low position of the sun makes it very difficult to make correct astronomical observations. The compass is useless because the plane is practically at the magnetic pole.

JAPAN—The growing partisan movement against the Japanese in Manchuria has resulted in heavy casualties to Japanese forces stationed there. According to the newspaper Osaka Mainichi on the basis of War Ministry reports, 495 officers and men were killed in the first seven months of this year, besides a large, but unspecified number of wounded.

3 MORE EUREKA DEFENDANTS IN FRAME-UP TRIAL

SCHOOL TEACHER FIGHTS
FOR REINSTATEMENT

EUREKA, Aug. 29.—Holliis, Lofgrin and Sobel, victims of the second riot frame-up trial here, were acquitted today. The jury deliberated about five hours.

Six more workers, whose case is being handled by Attorney Leo Gallagher of the International Labor Defense, go to trial on similar charges Tuesday, Sept. 3.

EUREKA, Calif., Aug. 22.—Taking of evidence in the trial of Arthur Lofgrin, Geo. Hollis, and Charles Sobel held on "riot" charges, began here yesterday. They were arrested immediately after the police attack on the lumber pickets on June 21, in which three workers were mortally wounded by the officers.

Blaine McGowan has been retained by the local Federated Trades Council as attorney for the three, at a fee of \$1500. The trial opened Monday, and the selection of a jury, and other preliminaries, occupied two days.

Victor Jewitt, the school teacher who was fired by the School Board because he joined the picket line of the lumber strikers, was here Monday in the interests of his reinstatement. The Teachers' Federation has retained Clarence Rust to conduct the legal fight for Jewitt. Meanwhile Jewitt has had printed a folder describing his case for distribution. J. B. Willford, president of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union presented quantities of them to members of the Trades Council, with the request that they have their locals distribute them.

Arbitration Award Affecting Seamen; Gains and Failures

Analysis and Summary of Agreements Between the International Seamen's Union and the Steamship Companies Which Will Expire on September 30—They Will Automatically Be Renewed Unless Either Party Asks Revision

readers an exact picture of its form and content.—E.L.)

THE AWARD.
A—WAGES AND WORKING RULES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN DECK DEPARTMENT.

(For the benefit of non-maritime readers, "unlicensed personnel" means all jobs excepting navigators and engineers. "Deck Department" means all workers involved in the navigation and sailing of the ship generally and the care of all rigging and deck equipment. This department is headed by the Captain (Master) and Mates. There are two other departments: the Engine Room Department and the Steward's Department which have their own officers and duties. The Captain, however, has authority over all departments.)

This section sets the following monthly wage scale: Able Seamen, \$62.50, Watchman, \$62.50, Ordinary Seamen, \$45.00, Boatswain, \$75.00, Carpenter, \$75.00, Deck Boy, \$40.00.

It also establishes the eight-hour day and one hour meal periods.

B—WAGES AND WORKING RULES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN ENGINE-ROOM DEPARTMENT.

Sets the following monthly wage scale: Watertenders, \$72.50, Oilers, \$72.50, Combination Man, \$72.50, Firemen, \$62.50, Wipers, \$50.00, Storekeeper, \$72.50.

Provides that certain types of work shall not be performed at night excepting on emergencies.

Several other minor provisions. **C—GENERAL WORKING RULES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN DECK AND ENGINE-ROOM DEPARTMENTS.**

Specifies overtime pay shall not be less than 60 cents per hour. Names legal holidays. (Does not include "Bloody Thursday," agreed upon as a holiday by all Maritime Unions.)

Grants that living quarters and facilities shall be "proper" but makes practically no specifications regarding same.

Provides that men shall be remunerated for bed and board when same is not furnished owing to fumigation, repairing, etc.

Provides that work while ship is in port shall be eight hours between hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. All other to be paid as overtime. Overtime while ship is at sea may be paid by employer in cash or in time off in port.

(It is reported there may be some dispute over this point. Men claim employers have made a practice of paying overtime by laying them off certain hours at sea. Such extra time is practically worthless to the men.)

Work at sea on Saturday afternoons or Sundays other than what is essential to navigation of ship is defined as overtime.

Several other minor regulations. **D—WORKING RULE FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT, PASSENGER SHIPS, CLASS A AND B.**

Establishes the eight-hour day and defines overtime. Pay for overtime set at 60 cents per hour for higher ratings, 50 cents for lower ratings.

Lists certain tasks not to be required and establishes regulations similar to deck and engine departments.

E—SPECIAL RULES APPLICABLE TO UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT ON PASSENGER

GER VESSELS ENGAGED IN NORTH PACIFIC COAST SERVICE ONLY.

Provides that for specified ratings a flat allowance will be paid for each voyage instead of overtime pay.

F—WORKING RULES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT ON FREIGHTERS.

Provides men shall not be laid off between voyages unless layoff exceeds one week. If employer desires to bar an employee from further employment, the employee shall be notified.

In all other particulars, makes the same provisions as for other classes of seamen.

G—WAGES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT ON FREIGHTERS.

Sets the following monthly scale: Steward, \$115.00, Chief Cook, \$100.00, Second Cook, \$80.00, Messman, \$50.00, Sailors and Firemen's Messboys, \$45.00.

For combination freight and passenger ships, the scale is: Cook and Steward, \$120.00, Second Cook, \$85.00, Messman, \$50.00, Waiters, \$50.00, Sailors and Firemen's Messboys, \$45.00.

H—WAGES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT ON CLASS A PASSENGER SHIPS.

Sets monthly wage scale ranging from \$45.00 to \$275.00 for seventy different ratings. **I—WAGES FOR UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT ON CLASS B STEAMSHIPS. THIS CLASSIFICATION INCLUDES ALL PASSENGER VESSELS NOT INCLUDED IN CLASS A.**

Sets monthly wages ranging from \$45.00 to \$125.00 for twenty-four different ratings.

J—GENERAL RULES APPLICABLE TO UNLICENSED PERSONNEL IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

Section (42) Governs time off in port and provides employer must, when a worker quits or is discharged, pay him for time off or overtime which is due him.

Section (43) Gives employer the option of hiring either from the dock or the union hall. States that no employee shall be forced to hire through any private hiring hall, but does not restrict the employer from hiring men through such agency.

(The only fair provision would be to either establish all hiring as through the union hall or else through a jointly controlled hiring hall such as is provided in the longshoremen's agreement.) This section also provides that the employer shall at all times be free to select whom he chooses from available men and men shall be free to choose their jobs.

Section (44) Outlaws all strikes, lock-outs and stoppages of work and provides that seamen must work under non-union (possibly scab) officers if the shipowners desire it.

At the same time provides union men shall have preference in employment.

(In this regard it is well to note that no union should sign away its right to take militant action in defense of its interests.)

Section (45) Merely declares the agreement as binding on both employers and seamen.

Section (46) Specifies that notice of termination or amendment must be served by either party 30 days

prior to expiration, otherwise agreement will be considered renewed.

Section (47) Specifies that emergency work shall not be regarded overtime.

Section (48) Provides for the establishment of a Labor Relations Board at the Port of San Francisco consisting of six members, three from the steamship companies and three to be appointed by the Executive Board of the International Seamen's Union of America. These three are to consist of one delegate from each of the three unions embraced by the I.S.U.

(Note here that while the longshoremen's agreement specifies that their Labor Relations representatives shall be chosen by the longshoremen themselves, the Seamen's agreements provides that they shall be appointed by the reactionary and employer controlled top officialdom.)

This section also provides that the Labor Relations Board shall have dictatorial power over all disputes of any nature between the seamen and the employers. It states that no arbitration shall start or be continued while any strike, lock-out, stoppage of work, or sympathetic strike is in progress.

Section (49) Provides special classifications of work for which employers may hire non-union help. Also specifies that I.S.U. men shall be given preference at all times. Reiterates the right of employer to choose his men and men to choose their jobs.

Section (50) Provides that the rates of pay established by the award shall be retroactive to December 1, 1934.

Dated at San Francisco, Calif., April 10, 1935.

Paul A. Sinsheimer,
Chairman,
Ralph W. Myers,
Albert Michelson.

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

Relief clients found enclosed with their last weekly check a notification which reads in part as follows: "If you are offered a job, take it. If the wages will not cover your family's budget, talk it over with your visitor. Don't refuse the job."

Which is proof not only that wages in private industry in this area, are so low they are being supplemented in many cases by relief funds, but additional proof that officials approve and encourage this condition, by instructing relief workers to accept these jobs at starvation wages.

Foreman Smith on the Greek Theatre Project, Westwood Village, discharged worker Goldstone for organizational activity but to conceal this fact wished to write it down as "insubordination."

None of the bosses being able to spell the word, the men were called on and a worker spelled the word for them.

The CALIFORNIA WELCOME (Welcome with money) grows more pronounced. Syphilitic movie stars, visiting members of the Chamber of Commerce, exiled Russian ex-coms, bankers, British Lords and Ladies, perverted millionaires accompanied, by their mistresses and other such vermin are welcomed and entertained by the "elite."

While poor but honest workers find no welcome but are being red and deported from the state.

In direct violation of the Constitution which reads, Art. XIV, Sect. 1: "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of the United States."

J. D. was cut off relief for refusing a job at the L. A. Hospital. Salary 10 dollars per month and board.

The last man that filled the job was paid 50 dollars per month. With room and board.

William Busick, A. F. of L. and Socialist leader, refused to sign a petition demanding Angelo Herndon be saved from the Georgia chain gang.

A newsboy selling the Hearst Examiner, with a button on his shirt reading HEARST LIES ABOUT THE SOVIET UNION.

On South Hill St. in the 300 block, a fancy barbecue joint, serves the meatless turkey and chicken bones after they are picked bare and offers them for sale at ten cents per pound.

Salesmen for the unemployed leader were ejected from the county welfare headquarters at 244 South San Pedro street. Ex-banker cut off relief, shoots self on bench in Pershing Square. Man forced to choose between his wife and his job takes job. State relief commission meets at the Biltmore.

Barley is here. Tagwell and Hopkins are due soon with Roosevelt to follow. "New Deal" vote seekers are caught firing more openly with official "production for users" so hungry for a little back door recognition from the White House. The unemployed are slated to be "sold down the river" into "aboriginal concentration camps" under the slogan "production for use for the unemployed."

It is rumored that "Goodie driver" Dalton having failed to receive the blessings of the "Relief Sultan" in this state is to be replaced by "Trouble Shooter" Stone on whom the "Sultan" smiles.

For make no mistake the "muzz" of "Sultan McLanchin" representative of the republican machine, is to be found at all times squatting squarely in the middle of the relief "picture" in California.

Will he move over and bow to "Head man" Hopkins next month?

General Strike Is Nightmare for Boss

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—The general strike delirium, which causes San Francisco employers to have nightmares in their sleep, was used to play a practical joke on R. B. Finsten, Chamber of Commerce President, Maj. Gen. Malone, and other big shots.

They were shown a newspaper, while on a jinx in the Bohemian Club redwood grove, with headlines, "General Strike Grows: Militia to be Called Out."

If no explanations had been made, they would have returned to San Francisco, ready to organize their vigilante gangs again. However, the headline had been taken from one of last year's papers, with the date changed.

We urge you to send in unit experiences for the proposed Party Work column.

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

OAKLAND FAKER FACES CHARGES

Rank and File Gets After Quinn for Phoney Stand

By a Worker Correspondent.

OAKLAND, Calif.—At the regular meeting of the Steam Fitters' Union on Aug. 22 the rank and file took things into their own hands and went right down the line.

First they voted to rescind their decision to march in the Labor Day parade. This was done because the Public Works and Unemployed Union was first asked by the Central Labor Council to march and then were told by the reactionary parade committee they could not. The Steam Fitters refuse to march behind such fakers.

A resolution was then read condemning Mr. Quinn, the delegate to the Building Trades Council and president of that body. Quinn is also editor of the East Bay Labor Journal and a councilman on the Oakland City Council. It was in the last named body that Quinn voted to deny the P.W.U.U. a permit to hold an open air meeting to discuss the new W.P.A. setup.

His friends tried to bury the matter in the executive committee, but the rank and file voted that he must appear for the union body on the open floor.

They also backed the P.W.U.U. resolution demanding that the Water District permit the P.W.U.U. job delegates to organize on the job, providing they do not use company time to do it.

At the same meeting the reactionary business agent was ousted and a rank and file member elected.

Then, to cap the climax, the delegates to the State A. F. of L. convention were instructed to vote for the ousting of Scharnberg, the faker who is now secretary of the State Federation and who was kicked out of the Seamen's Union.

INTEGRITY OF LABOR TICKET SLATE SECURE

ADVANCE RESIGNATIONS SIGNED AND FILED

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—How can the workers who vote for their own candidates on the Labor Ticket in the coming municipal elections be assured these candidates, when in office will live up to their promises and the platform on which they were elected?

This question was dealt with by Lawrence Ross, member of the Labor Ticket Conference, representing the Communist Party, in his speech at the Building Trades Temple last Wednesday. "Every candidate," said Ross, "will be obliged to sign his own resignation and place it in the hands of the Labor Ticket Conference before running for office. If at any time this candidate should betray the interests of the workers, the resignation will be presented and enforced. It is true that such a document would have no standing in the eyes of the law. Nevertheless, if published and backed up by mass pressure there is no doubt but the removal of the corrupt official could effectively be accomplished."

However, since all labor candidates will come out of the ranks of labor itself and no professional politicians included, there is small likelihood of such an occurrence.

Ryan Attacks Bridges at A. F. L. State Meet

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Joseph Ryan, reactionary president of the International Longshoremen's Association, took the floor at the American Federation of Labor state convention here this week to launch another of his red-baiting attacks against the West Coast I. L. A. and the rank and file leadership of Harry Bridges.

During his talk Ryan let slip the plan to oust Bridges and the rank and file leadership which he disclosed was a conspiracy between himself and Edward McGrady, assistant secretary of labor, to carry through the demands of the shipowners.

Ryan made it known that he is backing the shipowners, who are attempting to smash the rank and file of the West Coast I. L. A. as soon as the agreement between the shippers and the union expires on September 30.

Ryan let the cat out of the bag while attempting to prevent the seating of Delegate Angelo Severino of the Bricklayers' Local 37, New York City. He denounced Severino as a radical and launched into another of his hysterical "red-scare" tirades.

MIXING GASSES REQUIRES VERY SERIOUS STUDY

MAKE 'EM SICK, THEN KILL 'EM OFF

By a Reserve Officer.

MONTEREY, Calif.—After blasting away some 1700 rounds of three inch shell and shrapnel (at about \$20 per round) members of the Field Artillery O. R. C. (Officers Reserve Corps) had a little practice experience in the use of "gases now in popular use."

Small puffs of tear and nausea gas were released from cylinders and reservists trained to identify each by smell. After running through a cloud of mixed smoke and tear gas, streaming eyed reservists remarked upon the "effectiveness" of this strike-breaking combination.

One reserve officer who went through the nausea gas "attack" with a poorly adjusted gas mask suffered vomiting attacks for three days.

These future leaders of capitalist wars were informed that nausea gas will be used as a preliminary—to make the enemy so sick that they cannot wear gas masks, when—presto—Lewistite (gas) will be released to finish the suffering "enemy."

How many reserve officers were nauseated with this splendid receipt for capitalist "heroism" was not recorded. Needless to say, the nausea-Lewistite combination was not tried out as part of the training. Reserve officers have that to "look forward to."

EMPLOYERS IN ENGLAND FIGHT COOPERATIVES

RAPID GROWTH SECOND ONLY TO SOVIET UNION

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The co-operative movement in England has grown to such an extent that employers are trying to make the workers pledge themselves to buy goods from private traders only under threat of instant dismissal. Such a pledge, which resembles the "yellow dog" contracts used in the United States, is contrary to an act passed in 1887, and resulted in a fine to C. H. Mawdesley, master baker of Longport.

The co-operative movement here is second only to the Soviet Union where co-operatives have had a long history and have especially flourished under the Soviet regime. In fact, the Soviet co-operatives do the majority of the retail selling there, and count more than 72,000,000 members, or the vast majority of the adult population.

The English co-operative stores show a growth from 2,661,799 members in 1910 to 6,917,138 members in 1934-35. During the same period retail sales increased three times, to 315,273,719 pounds. The number of workers employed increased from 122,991 to 270,697. It is this vigorous growth of the co-operative movement that has aroused the enmity of the employers of Great Britain.

Stool Pigeon Kicked Out by Marine Cooks

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—H. Miller, a reactionary faker in the Marine Cooks and Stewards Union here, has been expelled because of his anti-union activities.

During the investigation of Miller's record it was definitely proven that he was working for the reactionary International Seamen's Union official, Victor Olander. It was disclosed that he had worked for Olander for five years in the Great Lake District, was paid for his disruptive activities, but was not a member of the I.S.U.

As soon as his stool pigeon activities became known here the rank and file brought charges against him.

At the meeting of the union held here last Thursday \$1000 was voted for the defense of the framed maritime workers at Modesto and \$50 for the striking dock workers of British Columbia.

War Veterans Unable To Retain Insurance

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Out of 4,757,240 soldiers, sailors, and marines who served in the armed forces in the United States during the war, only 594,899, or one-eighth have been able to retain their government life insurance policies, according to figures released here.

This insurance is granted by the government at cost, and the inability of all but a minority to retain it is a sad commentary on the economic conditions of the rank and file of the war veterans.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

FORMER PARASITE TELLS WHAT HE THINKS OF THE OLD RACKET

When a Decent Social Order Is Built It Will Be Built By the Working Stiff, White Collar Declares

By a Former Liar (Now on his uppers)

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—I used to draw down big dough in the advertising business. I've been on the end of a shovel in an S.E.R.A. gang for some time now.

Let me tell you something about advertising. You ought to know what a cheap, dirty, parasitic racket it is.

In the boom days my boss once called me into his office and handed me a hunk of rubber. I looked at it and it was a cross section of an automobile tire.

"Now go in there," he said "and write me some copy that will sell that tire."

I went back to my desk, smelled the sample, looked at both sides of it, bounced it a couple of times and sat staring at it. So far as I was concerned it was just a hunk of rubber. I didn't know anything about it.

* A Lot of Bombast.

I typed out a lot of nonsense about extra mileage and greater resistance and brought it in to the boss. He crumpled it up and threw it into the waste basket.

"That'll never do," he said. "Give it this angle. Thousands want to know, what is our secret 'extra tough' process? What science has done for the motorist! Looks like rubber. Feels like rubber. Wears like iron plate!"

I went back to my desk and invented a lot of—

That's what advertising is.

I happen to know that when Richfield started their "more mileage" advertising campaign, they made a test and discovered that Richfield gas was the same as any other. But they also made a survey and discovered that ninety per cent of all cars were running on too rich a mixture.

So they launched the argument, "fill up your tank with Richfield, turn the carburetor back, and see if it doesn't run just as well. You'll get more mileage."

They call this brains and intelligence—business ability. It sounds funny when you tell about it, but it isn't funny. It's cheap shyster cheating.

* Sucker Racket.

I know just enough about advertising to be able to see through all these hypocritical "patriotism" campaigns. They are run by advertising men. They base all their faith in the supposition that the public (the working people) are fools.

I've been on the end of this shovel long enough to learn differently. I belong to the Public Works and Unemployed Union. I'm a former parasite but all my loyalty is with the working stiff. And I'd like to see a social order in which such cheap lying, trap advertising is done away with altogether. And I'm ready to do my share working toward such a social order.

I know this too. When such a social order is built it will be built by the working stiff.

Help Hurt Hearst!

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28.—Hearst's Los Angeles Examiner Building and Bullock's Department Store, largest local Hearst advertiser, today were emblazoned with slogans in red paint calling for the Hearst boycott.

"Boycott Fascist Hearst." "Defend Ethiopia" and "Down With Fascism" were the fiery slogans painted on the two buildings during the night.

Passes by showed great interest even when the signs were partially effaced.

All trade-unionists, Epics, Utopians, and all other liberal and radical forces are urged to be at the Examiner Building, Eleventh street and Broadway, next Tuesday, September 3, to participate in a huge picket line.

Hundreds of militant pickets, bearing banners attacking Hearst as Labor's Enemy No. 1, will assemble at 12 o'clock noon, and will picket until nightfall. The picket line is being organized under the auspices of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights.

BOYCOTT HEARST!

These are the Hearst propaganda agencies which all West Coast workers, liberals, and enemies of reaction should boycott:

— NEWSPAPERS —

SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER, SAN FRANCISCO CALL-BULLETIN, LOS ANGELES EXAMINER, LOS ANGELES HERALD and EXPRESS, OAKLAND POST-ENQUIRER, SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER.

— MOVIES —

HEARST METROTONE NEWS (newsreel) WARNER BROTHERS FILMS, COSMOPOLITAN PRODUCTIONS (films).

— MAGAZINES —

HEARST'S INTERNATIONAL combined with COSMOPOLITAN, HARPER'S BAZAAR, MOTOR and MOTOR BOATING, PICTORIAL REVIEW, AMERICAN DRUGGIST, GOOD HOUSEKEEPING

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Timely news must reach us not later than 5:00 p. m. on Thursday and Mondays. News of very vital importance—the settlement of a strike—a decision to strike—hitherto unannounced actions of government or employers—gangster attacks—sudden changes in important issues—can get in with brief bulletin length if received by us before 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday and Friday. When an issue is imperative, wire us press rates collect. However, go easy on the telegram business. It's expensive. Never wire when the same news can reach us in time by air mail or special delivery.

LENGTH OF ARTICLES

The maximum length of feature articles, short stories, etc. is six typewritten pages double spaced, preferably five. For news items, use your own judgment.

Approximately three and a half typewritten pages double spaced makes a full column of type.

It is not necessary to write news stories up ready for publication. If you are pressed for time, just jot down all the facts and we will write the story in the office.

Don't get the idea that you have to run onto some monster story or crucial issue in order to have something to send us. Send us everything. One little incident, one small fact, one quotation from somebody, can be turned into an interesting short item.

Million Per Cent Americanism

The death of James Ross Mellon, Andy's elder brother, recalls a civil war incident when James was a law clerk. James fell for the patriotic speeches of Chamber of Commerce patriots, and enlisted for 100 days to guard prisoners, far from the danger zone.

But Judge Thomas Mellon, founder of the family fortune, wrote Jimmy: "I had hoped my boy was going to make a smart, intelligent business man, and was not such a goose as to be seduced from his duty by the declamations of buncombe speeches. IT IS ONLY GREENHORNS WHO ENLIST. You can learn nothing useful in the army. In time you will come to understand and believe that a man may be a patriot without risking his own life or sacrificing his health. There are plenty of other lives less valuable, and others ready to serve for the love of serving."

Papa Mellon's sound, patriotic arguments won out, and ever after James was a patriot without risking his own valuable life.

Sports

British Tars Defeat Vikings By Neat Team Work

By S. A.

Sunday, at Ewing Field, in San Francisco, a local team, the Vikings, was taken down the line by a score of three to one in a soccer game with the team of the H. M. S. "Danae," visiting British cruiser.

There were interesting points. Why did the sailors win? They were apparently men who had played soccer from childhood. They moved and played by deep-rooted habit.

Perhaps the American players had learned the game late. In any case, they were consciously applying rules and tactics. They had to think out and calculate every play.

The sailors moved swiftly and instantly without any obvious hesitation or deliberation.

It was something like the difference between a man who is moves with uncertainty, has to worry out each problem and refer to authorities, and a man who has studied and grasped Marx so thoroughly that it is an inherent part of his mind. The one is feeling his way and the other is backed up by a wealth of experience.

There is no room for individuality in soccer. The whole thing depends on team work. It is a fast game and there is little time to look about the field and determine who is where. You have to move like lightning and depend on the other players on your team being where they should be.

When a Viking player got command of the ball, he had to look about him quickly and locate another of his team to whom he could kick the ball.

When a Danae player got it, he instantly booted it in a certain direction, knowing that in such a circumstance it was the business of a certain other member of his team to receive it. Consequently, the whole British team moved as a single organism with uncanny speed and precision.

The American team depended more on individual performances and went down to defeat. Brilliant flashes of individual skill are much less important in soccer than that every member of the team can be relied upon to be where he should be in every moment of the play.

WORLD RECORD MADE

MOSCOW, Aug. 30.—What may be a new world record for long distance swimming was set here by the Soviet champion, Malm, who covered 50 kilometers, about 31 miles, in 17 hours 54 minutes and 40 seconds at Sochi on the North Caucasian coast of the Black Sea.

The new record is one more testimonial to the high standard of sports in the Soviet Union. Today sports clubs number their members by the millions and every type of sports is encouraged. Of particular interest are such sports as parachute jumping, in which several records have been set, and gliding. Long distance skiing, in which groups of Red Army men cover as much as 6,000 miles during the winter, from the Pacific Ocean to Moscow, is another sport which has attracted considerable interest.

COMPANY UNION FOR HOLLYWOOD

"Brotherly Love" Is Making Studio Fog in Hollywood

By John Lorree.

LOS ANGELES.—In keeping with the feeling of brotherly love which the studio executives displayed toward the strikers during the recent motion picture walk-out, when they hired a private army of thugs, the studios are inaugurating a social club for stars, executives, laborers, etc. It is to be an organization of true "American" democracy for the purpose of fostering the spirit of humanity between employers and employees at a time when the world is torn by hate and the pursuit of profits.

Each department will be represented by a delegate chosen from among their own ranks (for the present, until the thing gets going, the regular department heads are appointed as delegates by the studio head) and any grievance which might arise will be dealt with in a comradely spirit.

But do not misunderstand; this is not the basic idea underlying the "club," as it is called. This is only in the emergency that any dispute should arise. For the present it will serve to organize picnics, luncheons, charity bazaars, donations for those who are unemployed.

The qualifications for membership are simple. One must be employed at the time and pay 25 cents a month membership fees. Of course there may arise cases regarding an assessment to take care of some special cause.

In some of the studios the success of the clubs has not been what was expected. Suspicious employees who have had drastic wage cuts since the dissolution of their unions think that it is a ruse, others think it is a company union. And many who are in the know even suspect that it is a way of throwing the unemployed studio workers on the backs of those who are fortunate enough to have work at the present time. But Mr. L. B. Mayer, executive vice president of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and head of the Central Committee of the Republican party in California, says that these are vicious slanders by radical elements who are trying to disrupt the peaceful road to recovery.

WEEKS' PAY ON RANCH IS \$10.00; HALF FOR FOOD

BETTER CONDITIONS NOT WON BY RUNNING AWAY

By a Worker Correspondent.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal.—Will you allow a little space in your paper that we may tell all workers about the conditions here on the Dr. George's Ranch which is about 30 miles south of Bakersfield.

We receive 25 cents per hour for ten hours work at break-neck speed. We only get 4 days work per week. We have to lay off 3 days. We pay the company 85 cents per day for board. During 7 days we pay \$5.95; for our 4 days work we receive \$10. \$5.95 out of 10 leaves us \$4.05.

The food is very cheap stuff and yet we don't get enough of it. On the table where 16 of us eat there are two dishes of meat with 3 very thin slices. Stale bread is served quite often. If one of the workers asks the waiter for more food he promptly informs him that there is no more in the kitchen.

100 of the 1,700 workers quit Thursday. The workers should demand a change of conditions, and we cannot change the conditions by leaving the ranches. Read the Western Worker and learn how to change your conditions.

IDENTIFY YOURSELF

Workers who send us stories must not send them anonymously. Give us the source of your information—let us know just how you found out the facts contained in your article. In addition please give us your name and address.

We will not expose you by publishing your name. But when there is any doubt about a story we cannot print it unless we know how and where to verify it.

One-man cars mean one man starves! Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

BOYCOTT THE BERLIN 1936 OLYMPIC GAMES

WHERE TO GO

ORGANIZATIONS! Get big crowds to your affairs. Advertise them here. New rates—7c a line, in advance!

San Francisco

RED POW-WOW—Save the date —Aug. 31, Saturday Night, at 121 Haight street. Plays, dancing and other entertainment. Plenty of cats. Admission 25c.

DESKS, files, etc., are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager when and where to have materials picked up.

TRIUMPHANT RE-OPENING OF WORKERS' SCHOOL!

121 Haight st., September 2, 8:00 p. m. Lecture by Beatrice Kinkaid: "Education in Two Worlds." Dancing, Refreshments, Door Prize. Admission 25c With P.W.U.U. Card 10c.

M'NAMARA (Russian) Branch of I.L.D. Entertainment - Dance

Saturday, September 7, at 8:00 p. m., at Bonita Hall, 3092 Twenty-fourth st. (cor. Folsom). Russian Dancing, Music, Eats, a play by Workers Theater. Admission 25c. Benefit Political Prisoners Defense Fund.

THIRD RED BANNER NIGHT

Saturday, September 14, 1935, 121 Haight street, Workers' Theater Play, Dancing. ATTENTION: Workers' Press Picnic Raffle of books will be held at this affair. Bring your stubs.

Auspices: Mission Sub-Section, Communist Party.

ENTERTAINMENT & DANCE

to be given by the Greek Workers' Educational Club "Spartakus", 304 Third Street, Saturday, August 31, 8 p. m. Good Eats and Good Times. Electric Clock and Radio to be raffled. Adm. 15c, Ladies Free.

RODO SHIMBUN NIGHT St.

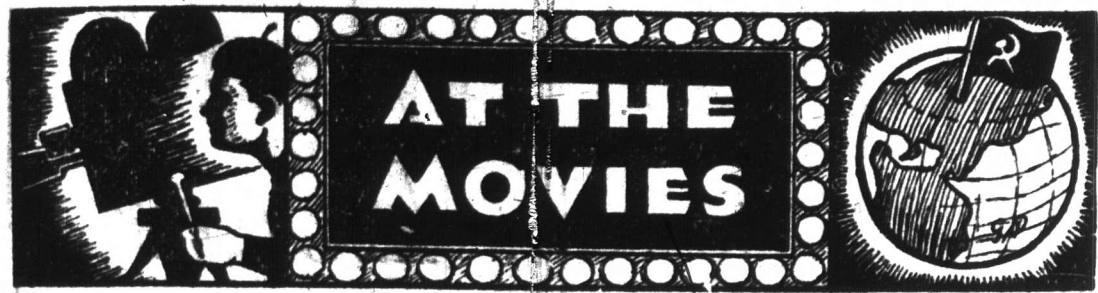
Sept. 7, 8 p. m. at 1740 O'Farrell Street. Dancing. Chop suv. Benefit Japanese Labor Press.

AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS JAMBOREE & PICNIC

—Dancing, Swimming, Refreshments, Games, Sunday, September 1, 10 a. m. at Edgewater Beach Club, formerly Fair's. Admission .35 cents.

The Bear Lunch

Food of Superior Quality BEER ON TAP - WINES LIQUOR C. D



RECOMMENDED ENTERTAINMENTS - SCREEN AND STAGE
SAN FRANCISCO—"Diamond Jim" at the Orpheum will probably still be on view. Typical Hollywood success story made out of authentic historical character, Diamond Jim Brady. Good performance by Edward Arnold.

MARCH OF TIME

The last (number five) issue of the "March of Time" is even more outspokenly Fascist than any of its predecessors. This one is occupied exclusively with stirring up in Americans belligerent pride in the American armed forces; and in glorifying the French fascist movement led by De La Roquette. This gentleman is held up as a sort of object lesson in good citizenship.

The first part of the film (and the best photographed and edited) effectively shows hair-trigger organizations of the American war machine. The film shows graphically how plans have been worked out in extreme detail for the swift mobilization and transport of a vast military force. The manner of presentation is well calculated to agitate the shallowest pools of chauvinist emotion.

The next clip deals with the "Little Flower of Jesus," Father Coughlin. The good Father explains how from a humble little church he has become the fiery cross of the Ku Klux he first broadcast his message. This strident American brand of fascist propaganda has succeeded well enough to make Coughlin a high-powered executive with three dozen secretaries, occupying a million-dollar "Little Flower" visited by eight-secting busses. Coughlin's struggle for the welfare of the underprivileged has now carried him into the inner circle of politics and Big Business. In the opening scene of this short he proclaims: "God hates the hypocrite."

RKO (Rockefeller) dilutes this dose of fascism microscopically by suggesting that "ministers who make themselves conspicuous are often given obscure bishoprics."

It's like those recently cleaned-up sex films in which the wicked sinning woman marries the seducer, thus making sin officially lose its attractiveness. The minute qualifications of this title does not dilute the wholly fascist effect of the Coughlin episode.

From this point the "March of Time" goes on to show what a RFAI fascist leader should be like. You see, in France, out of chaos, out of the crash of St. Louis houses and savings bank swindles, the emergence of a new note in French politics, the organ-

ization called "Cross of Fire." A society with all the trappings to attract the adolescent, the middle class, and assorted simpletons. Crosses of fire, skull-and-crossbones, adventurously staged midnight meetings. And above all, a leader.

We see this De La Roquette, wearing an expression of self-conscious low-brow "virility" like an illustration from Bernard MacFadden's (now Hearst's) "health" magazines. This film is designed to glorify this amoeba as the savior of France.

We see the People's Front, the united front of hundreds of thousands of workers demonstrating in solidarity. Then the marching feet of the fascists—and the anti-fascists taking to their heels. BUT THESE SHOTS ARE SEEN SEPARATELY, for the reason that on every occasion when they have staged counter-demonstrations the workers of the People's front have outnumbered and completely routed the fascists. The scenes from police attacks are interposed to give the impression of fascist victory over the United Front.

The finishing touch to this reel is its revelation of the French armament makers as the possible backers of the Fascist De La Roquette. You see, it's the wicked armament makers who are the cause of the economic collapse, Fascism and war. Apparently no other profit is operated for private profit. The Golden Gate Theatre can be prevented from showing more of this fascist propaganda by an outpouring of protests.

Reviewed by O. H.

A total of 326 travelling cinemas are now working in the various districts of Karkhov Province, the majority of them serving the collective farmers now in field camps during the reaping. In the course of 15 days close to 75,000 collective farmers have visited the cinemas.

—Moscow Daily News, July 27, 1935.

SOVIET FILM COMING
 "Thunderstorm," the newest importation from the Soviet studios, reviewed in this column last week, comes to the Clay Theater, Fillmore and Clay street, starting Saturday matinee, Sept. 7.

STANDARD OIL FRAME-UP AT MODESTO MUST BE SMASHED

Boycott Must Be Pushed As Aid in Fight for Freedom of Maritime Workers

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Additional solidarity of the working class to win the freedom of eight framed maritime workers now in jail in Modesto is needed if these men are to be saved from San Quentin where the Standard Oil Company is attempting to send them.

The probation officer is scheduled to report his findings and recommendations on the cases in court September 12. Regardless of his report however, it appears likely the case will be appealed to a higher court.

Meanwhile a campaign is on foot to push the boycott of all Standard Oil products and to gain more sympathy and aid in the fight to free the eight.

*** Greasy Frame-up.**
 The dirty, greasy hand of the Standard Oil Company of California plainly pulled the strings that resulted in the eight workers being convicted on a phony, compromise charge of "reckless possession of dynamite."

In the first place it was the Standard Oil which hired a special prosecutor to assist the Modesto prosecuting official in weaving the frame-up web. Secondly, Standard Oil stool pigeons and police spies, who were forced to admit their underground connections, testified against the eight.

It was brought out at the trial that the Standard Oil not only engineered the plot but also the arrest of the men in Patterson on the night of April 20, 1935. James Scudder, self-admitted stool-pigeon of the San Francisco police department, was among the men arrested that night. He was released at once however and returned to the case only to testify against the men on trial.

*** Tanker Strike.**
 Hal Marchant, another spy and tool of reactionary labor leaders in the Pacific Northwest, also testified to his part in engineering the frame-up for the benefit of Standard Oil.

And why was the Standard Oil Company so anxious to railroad

these men to jail? Because the maritime workers at that time were on strike against the tanker ship operators. Standard Oil, notoriously a company union, anti-labor firm, is one of the chief exploiters of labor along the oil companies.

Standard Oil ships were being picketed and the Standard Oil Company, through the medium of the boycott, was receiving plenty of unfavorable publicity. "Boycott Standard Oil" tickets, stickers and placards were appearing on the streets and in windows at an increasing rate. The workers of the Standard Oil plants were beginning to talk organization. Tanker ship scabs had to be housed under special guard and the company was losing money on its strike-breakers.

The immediate goal now should be to unite the Standard Oil boycott and the campaign to free these framed workers into one huge struggle. The capitalist courts are capable of giving justice only to the employers, the Standard Oil and its minions. The only real justice the workers are able to get is the kind they win by their organized might.

Am. Youth Congress Holds Annual S. F. Picnic on Sunday

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—The Pagoda Grounds of the Edge-water Beach Club, 2526 Great Highway, will be the scene of the annual S. F. American Youth Congress picnic this Sunday, September 1st.

Novel games and entertainment will feature the program which will open at 10 a. m. Dancing, exciting sports contests, and refreshments are included in the announced plans for this day of jollity.

There will be a nominal admission charge for members of the public who are cordially invited to attend.

Life in Soviet Vacation Resort Described by an American Worker

Mamantovka, where the cottage I rented for the summer is located, is a resort town. There are two or three villages along the fringe, and some people live here the year around, carrying on a sort of village economy, or commuting to Moscow. For the most part, the buildings are private summer cottages (dachas), constructed or purchased through the professional cooperatives, or they are week-end rest homes belonging to different institutions, newspapers, trade unions, factories, sport organizations, etc.

* Soviet Resort Town.

What is a Soviet resort town like? I'll try to describe this one, or at least mention the outstanding features. The houses, although there is quite a variety as to size, architecture, and materials, are in the main of three different types. A large number of them are one-story, gabled log houses with open front porches. Many have strips of intricately carved wood under the windows and eaves. Some of the carving is so fine it looks more like lace than wood. This is the older type of house of pre-revolutionary construction. The newer model is made of pine boards, nearly always has a second-story, has one and often two large sun-porches.

Then there are the large club-houses and rest homes of from ten to forty rooms, ranging in architectural style from old Russian, with all sorts of oddly shaped towers and a maze of carving, to a sort of formal, modern hotel style, many-columned porches or verandas. All of the houses are of good, solid construction, with tight roofs, well-set windows, and inside lining. All have electric light. There are no flimsy, shack-like structures, such as a large number of those in the middle-class resorts on the Wisconsin Lakes and in such California resorts as I have seen.

These are the houses that are set back among the pine and birch trees, thirty or fifty feet from the wide, quiet, grassy streets. All of them have big grass with flower-beds and vegetable gardens. Some even have fruit trees, which just now are in bloom. All are surrounded by neat picket fences.

It is wonderful to walk leisurely through the streets and look in

these green, well-kept yards, to see the people enjoying their secure leisure in such beautiful, restful surroundings. Workers, engineers, doctors, office employees, writers and professors, every day on which it isn't raining, and particularly on free days, are sitting out in the sun reading, working in their little gardens, gathered in groups on the porches, singing and dancing with guitar or accordion accompaniment, playing volleyball, or eating their meals out of doors.

* Workers' Vacation House.

Just down the street from me there is a country house that belongs to one of the departments of the Red Rose Textile Mill. Today being free day, about thirty or forty of the workers, men and women, are out enjoying it for the day.

There is one other thing I want to mention in connection with the Soviet summer resorts—that is that summer-cottage construction is proceeding at just as rapid a rate as other branches of construction in the Soviet Union. There are dozens of houses in this town, and in all the towns along the line. And there are dozens more that were finished only last year. At such places as the Green City you must count the new houses by the hundreds.

* How the Workers Use Leisure.

Let me tell you a few things that were going on behind the picket fences yesterday as I walked along the street. Many people were stretched out in hammocks, enjoying the long twilight. At the house of the Railway Workers, a young fellow with a Prepared for Labor and Defense badge on his sweater was seated in the garden playing a guitar, while half a dozen people listened, and once in a while joined in on a song—Half a block away, a man was sitting before an open window playing an accordion—Twice small groups of three or four people rode by on bicycles. In one yard boys were playing the nine-pin game. In another, children were pelting each other with pine cones—A father and mother were sitting on the porch drinking their after supper tea. Another accordion player was play-

ing to a circle of listeners, a little further along. At the training camp on the edge of the town a chorus of Red Armyists were lustily singing their wonderfully spirited songs. The air fairly rang with the harmony of tenor and bass. Down on the river bank scattered fishermen were sitting, silent as shadows, or were winding up their lines. Some row boats were still out, and moved along to the faint splash of the oars. At a house back from the river bank still another accordion was playing folk-melodies.

* Yes, and They Sing.

I have already written about how much music I heard in the course of just one walk. But this is not at all extraordinary. The Red Armyists can be heard singing almost every evening. And there hasn't been a day that I haven't stopped by someone's gate for a few minutes at least, to listen to a guitar or an accordion. Always, especially after supper, one can hear people singing in their own yards or as they walk along the street, or down by the river. Almost every day there is more music being played or sung than at a Mexican fiesta.

The American movies, like "British Agent," that made the first year of the Revolution a song-fest, with the masses bursting into chorus every time they "poured through the streets," have just gotten mixed up on the time. In the eighteenth year of the Revolution the air is truly full of song. And while I don't want to give the impression that the workers are building socialism by singing while they pick flowers in the fields, I do want to convey an adequate idea of the fact that the people here are singing and playing their people's instruments, guitars, accordions and balalaikas, to an unprecedented, unheard-of extent.

They sing and dance as only a happy, free energetic people could sing and dance, in conditions of security and increasing bounty. And if anyone says that I'm talking through my hat, out of ignorance, that "I haven't seen the show," but only a window-scraper, I say: Where is this "real, miserable life," that the Hearst Press lyingly spreads over its pages. I've been going about for eight months free and unguarded,

as anyone may go, wherever I wanted to, following as much as time permits the instructions of my Communist professor that I must "see all, and not restrict myself to the most advanced, best-operated socialist institutions."

At about 11 o'clock, when it was at last really getting dark, I walked up along the station platform. There was quite a crowd waiting for the train back to Moscow: some Red Army officers, a few carpenters with their bags of tools, a few peasants, but mostly young people going home after a day in the country. Some just coming onto the platform from the river side, were singing in low, subdued voices.

* Young Workers.

These people were typical young workers, the kind I met at the factory club, the people you think of when you say Soviet youth, the kind that built the world's best subway in record time, the first generation to grow to maturity in a Soviet order, the first to be trained by Bolsheviks. Many of them displayed Voroshilov marks, "man'ship badges and Prepared for Labor and Defense medals on their coats, sweaters, or dresses. Most of the girls wore linen or cotton print summer dresses that fit them and were becoming, tennis shoes, socks, and berets. Many of the boys wore white trousers and white canvas shoes. Here on the station platform, as everywhere, they exhibited the same inexhaustible energy and well-being, the same self-confidence. And is there any wonder? For the fears about themselves and the uncertainty of the future that so afflict the youth in capitalist countries are unknown to them. They are not baffled and frustrated. They understand world history and the laws of social motion.

One night I visited the dormitory at the Plekhanov Academy and spoke with some students about philosophy. I mentioned how in America philosophy was taught as though the world of thought existed by itself, unconnected with and undetermined by the material economic life of the time. And one of the students amazed at such methods in the modern world said, "The study of philosophy without a knowledge of economics is sterile."

GLENDALE PWU CONDEMNNS WAGE SCALE ON WPA

MENACE TO PRESENT PAY STRUCTURE STRESSED

By a Worker Correspondent.
GLENDALE, Cal.—On Friday, August 23, the Glendale Local No. 9 of the Public Works and Unemployed Union had its weekly meeting at the Mason Opera House instead of at the usual place of meeting.

A serious audience listened tensely to the speakers who talked on subjects ranging from the government's new relief wage scale and organization of relief workers and trade unions, to cooperative buying. Especially was the new low wage set-up denounced by Representative Dellecker, the main speaker of the meeting.

He made it plain that the wage structure of the nation will collapse if the subsistence wage of the unemployed is put into effect. All must join in demanding that the wage level of WPA be raised to the union scale level.

Resolutions that the San Fer-

Japanese Drive for Textile Markets is Basis of War Scare

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Imperialist Japan, whose workers slave long hours for as low as 25 cents per day, for more than three years has been the chief aggressor in an international trade war.

The Cabinet committee on cotton textiles this week threw out a strong hint to the effect if Japan does not agree to cease its pressure on the American cotton textile market, then the United States will take action independently to protect the market.

Behind the scenes and in reality forming the basis for the international war scare now raging, the trade war has been going on. Britain, Canada, United States, India, China, Turkey, the Dutch East Indies and several Latin American countries have raised import quotas on Japanese goods.

Handing local protests the low wage scale, and form a united front with all labor organizations were voted and passed unanimously.

Ex-Soldiers Support 'Free Herndon' Drive

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The American League of Ex-Servicemen opened its campaign for freedom of Herndon by sending to Kenneth Murrell, head of Post No. 1 of the American Legion in Atlanta, a letter vigorously condemning his action in publicly opposing freedom for Herndon. Murrell was present during a recent interview between a group of well-known writers representing the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners, and Governor Eugene Talmadge of Georgia. Murrell called the writers, who asked the liberation of Herndon, a gang of "racketeers," and threatened them with bodily harm.

"We condemn such action on the part of the leadership of a veteran's organization that has in its membership thousands of Negro veterans who served in the armed forces during the world war," the Ex-Servicemen's organization wrote to Murrell.

KATO TOUR WAS SUCCESSFUL IN BUILDING UNITY

JAPANESE LABOR LEADER FOSTERS SYMPATHY BETWEEN RACES

By N.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 29.—Kanjo Kato, Japanese trade union leader, has done much to foster inter-racial solidarity among American workers and intelligentsia during his comparatively short stay in California.

In Los Angeles, Mr. Kato spoke at a mass meeting, talked to 1,000 International Longshoremen's Association members in San Pedro and engaged in a round-table discussion with approximately thirty students, writers and liberals at Hollywood.

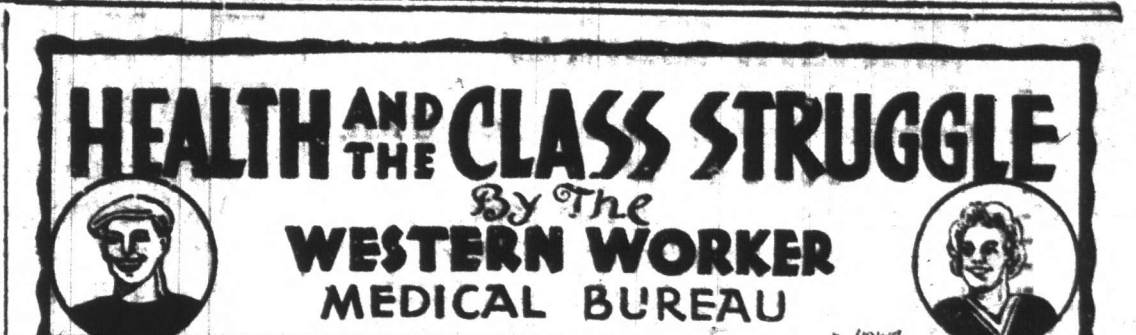
At San Francisco he addressed the mass meeting called in the Civic auditorium on the 19th anniversary of the imprisonment of Tom Mooney. Thirteen thousand persons attended the meeting and learned that Japanese workers are intensely interested in the struggle to win freedom for Mooney.

At Oakland Kanjo Kato was instrumental in settling a dispute between Teamsters and Japanese truck drivers. At a mass meeting sponsored by the Oakland Central Labor Council he spoke to Donald White, business agent for the Teamsters Union and the result was the Teamsters are planning to conduct a fight for admission of Japanese truck drivers into the union.

In an interview with Paul Orr, editor of the official newspaper of the United Farmers' League, Kato arranged for American farmers support to the Japanese in time of disaster and for Japanese farmer victims of the class struggle both here and in Japan.

Kato represents 40,000 organized workers, and 350,000 peasants in Japan, and is one of the outstanding progressive labor leaders of the country.

One-man cars mean one man starves! Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Loudertick.



By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

San Francisco. Dear Comrade Doctor:

Our baby, who will be three in Sept. 29, 1935, height 34 inches, weight 27 pounds, of Chinese race, was born with eczema. Apparently it has been cured. He was constipated from birth and was constipated for 2 years and 3 months, but dried figs have overcome that condition.

He was taken to a baby specialist, Dr. Cohen of Mt. Zion clinic, who recommended a special diet and a pine tar salve; but the pine tar did not do much good and Cuticura Ointment did finally heal the sores.

He is very nervous and seldom sleeps in daytime, and not all night. He has an eruption all over him that looks like hives. We apply Cuticura Ointment but it seems not to do any good. He is taking cod liver oil and gets quite a lot of fruit and vegetables, drinks plenty of milk daily. He is kept on regular routine. What shall we try next?

Comradely yours, ANSWER: Evidently, your baby is nervous and cannot sleep because of the skin eruption. It is difficult to tell from the letter, but it sounds though the eczema is cured and the present eruption is due to something that the baby is sensitive to.

This may be in the Cuticura Ointment which should be stopped. It is best to find out from a doctor just what afflicts the baby.

More often than not, infantile eczema is caused by improper diet or over-feeding. He should not eat more than he has a desire for. Be sure to keep the baby dry and use only very mild soap, such as Palmolive. Early, acute eczema is best treated with a solution made of two parts of resorcin and two parts of boric acid to 100 parts of water. Chronic eczema of long standing should be treated with tincture of benzoin. If these are not successful, a doctor should be consulted.

San Francisco. Dear Comrade Bissell:

My daughter had infantile paralysis when she was two and a

half years old. Her left leg was paralyzed below the hip. She had all medical care possible, but with no result. When she was about 11 years old she menstruated for the first time. At the age of 17 she came around 3 times regularly, but again stopped and got a tired feeling and felt cross and cranky.

Then she visited a doctor. He examined her and told her that her organs were normal, but that her ovaries were small and could not see any reason for her not being normal and able to raise a family. The doctor then gave her some tablets made of ovaries of lamb.

After taking this medicine for a week she felt better and her skin became clear. After a 3 months period she stopped taking the tablets and her skin again became rough and scaly. In less than a week's time after again taking the medicine her skin cleared and she felt much better.

At present she is taking the same medicine. Now she has not menstruated for a period of 14 months. She is now 18 years old, her height is 5 feet, weight 140. Both parents stout and short.

Would appreciate your advice. Comradely, C. E.

ANSWER: This is an interesting case of lack of enough of the ovarian glands. The treatment seems to be the correct one. Do not worry over the fact that there has been no menstruation in the last 14 months. They are sure to return.

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THE BOOM SONG

By JERRY RIGGER

Were you ever in Wyoming,
 When the place was on the boom?
 Then you've heard the growling oil rigs,
 Thick as straws stuck in a broom.

And you see familiar faces—
 New ones show up every day—
 And you know they've come from places
 That are very far away.

There's a hurry and a hustle
 And it makes you feel at home;
 Filled with energy, excitement
 And you are glad you're on the roam.

Well, those old boom days are over,
 Depression's in the land.
 And the guys we used to work for
 Never seem to need a hand.

Now there comes another rumor
 Of a place across the sea,
 The only place at present
 Where the boom will always be.

As one boomer to another,

I will tell you mighty straight,
 I believe there's something to it,
 If we all investigate.

If we make the things we're needing
 The boom day's aren't all over,
 But the guys that won't allow it
 Are the ones that hire and lend.

It's different now in Russia;
 Over there they have a law,
 None can hire and make a profit—
 It works the best you ever saw.

I won't tell you how they did it,
 It would make the time too long;
 But they had an air-tight theory—
 People knew that they weren't wrong.

We can do it over here, boys,
 If we spread the news around;
 We can lose those mental fetters,
 (That's the way they have us bound).

The boom ray's aren't all over,
 They are coming back some day;
 For the Communists will bring them,
 And they'll bring them back to stay.

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Take Labor Day From the Reactionaries

Labor Day, September 2, will not be so completely in the hands of the reactionaries this year. Another twelve months of capitalist crisis has brought numerous strike and unemployed struggles, has brought masses of workers by hand and brain into conflict with constituted authority in the shape of police departments, mayors, and a whole tribe of flag-waving demagogues and professional reactionaries who too often in the past got away with lip-service to labor at election times and on official holiday occasions.

Workers cannot admire the pomp of official dignitaries who give orders to policemen to shoot strikers in the name of "law and order"—the vigilante slogan.

The campaign to take Labor Day over for the workers: to oust anti-labor hypocrites from the reviewing stands and line of march, was started too late this year to be fully effective. But the move has been launched. We must see to it that the idea is popularized during Labor Day itself, and that firm determination to complete this move is widely spread.

It is part of the drive for the ousting of reactionaries from the trade unions. It should also be part of the campaign for the Labor Party.

San Francisco will likely set a fine example for the rest of the West to follow. The entire membership of the Maritime Federation will march in a body in a gesture of magnificent solidarity. It is to be hoped that they will treat Rossi and his cohorts as they did last year—with grim non-attention to the official pleasantness—a silent, eloquent march of contemptuous defiance.

Such men as Rossi should not even be allowed in the parade next year.

"The freest government cannot long endure when the tendency of the law is to create a rapid accumulation of property in the hands of a few, and to render the masses poor and dependent."—DANIEL WEBSTER.

Engels on America

When we commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the death of Frederick Engels, we do so not only to pay homage to a great leader of the working class but to learn from his work, his theory and his practice how to act in our own struggles for liberation in the United States. In his lifetime Engels devoted a great deal of attention to affairs in the United States. During the Civil War in America he was an ardent supporter of the North against the South because he saw in the struggle of the North a struggle of the masses for the abolition of slavery, a struggle of progressive forces against reaction. Under the leadership of Marx and Engels the Executive Committee of the First International sent a message of greetings to Lincoln. Engels was in continuous correspondence with leaders of the working class movement to his very death.

There was a time when many theoreticians thought that the United States of America was exempt from the laws of social development discovered by Marx and Engels. They thought that America, with its unlimited natural resources, with its skill and energy, with the tremendous accumulation of its wealth, and with the high organization of its business, would be able to avoid the contradictions of capitalism, the antagonism that lead to the overthrow of the entire system and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the building of socialism. The last few years have opened the eyes of millions to the fact that "all is not well in the U. S. A." What ails this great and powerful country? Just this—that the mode of appropriation is in irreconcilable conflict with the mode of production, to use the words of Engels. The economic crisis that is destroying this country shows, truly, that the well-organized capitalists of the United States with their powerful state apparatus, are like the sorcerers who cannot dominate the forces conjured up by them. The salvation of the masses of America lies in the way pointed out by Marx and Engels.

—From "Life and Teachings of Frederick Engels," by M. J. Olgin.

FIREMEN FIGHT BUROCRATS ON CONSTITUTION

FAKERS CALL COPS TO
RUN UNION MEETS

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—Rank and file members of the Maritime Firemen's Union of the Gulf and Atlantic won a victory here last week when Judge Aaron Stur ruled that the new constitution, proposed by the bureaucratic officials, must be held in abeyance until further hearings on September 3.

Five rank and file union men, speaking for many others of the same opinion, had filed an application to enjoin Oscar Carlson, as secretary of the union, Ernest Missind as treasurer, and four trustees from putting into effect the new constitution on the grounds that it was instituted in violation of the old one.

As the hearing opened the attorney for the union officials asked for a postponement. William L. Standard, attorney for the seamen, countered with a demand for an immediate hearing on the grounds that the situation brought about by the new constitution had reached such a point that delay would be dangerous.

Since the new constitution had been declared in effect the officials had on several occasions called police to disperse meetings of the union members. Union meetings had been attended by as many as twenty-four cops.

A clause of the new constitution would permit Oscar Carlson, the secretary, to withdraw union funds over his own signature. The old constitution required the signatures of the secretary, treasurer and three trustees before any funds could be withdrawn.

The Note to the Soviet Union Was a Deliberate Provocation

Without doubt, the "blunt" note sent by the State Department to the Soviet Union, attempting to "blame" the Soviet Government for Communist activities in this country, was inspired by most reactionary aims. It is difficult to believe that even capitalist political leadership is so admittedly bankrupt as to demand that foreign governments suppress revolutionary activity bred by economic conditions at home and carried on by home-made revolutionists. The only explanation possible is that the State Department was forced by "native" (Wall Street) fascist pressure to insert a thin entering wedge for the breaking off of relations and the beginning of an even more vicious anti-Soviet campaign.

Coming as it does at a time when Italy proceeds on its robber career with the tacit consent of the United States, the "blunt" note is a blunt warning to all opponents of war and fascism that dangerous imperialist measures are in the offing.

We ignore many reasons for characterizing the note as being based on false evidence, and cite merely one—the fact that while the Communist Party is perfectly legal in this country, the Soviet Union is advised to suppress American constitutional rights abroad. Coming from a country that was once proudly an "asylum for political prisoners," it measures the depth of the fascist, imperialist current of today's capitalist politics.

Locally, the note has been made the occasion for a further attack on Sam Davey, district organizer of the Communist Party. Needless to say, the attack has magnified out of all proportion the technical offense with which he is charged, an offense which even the local press pointed out would be considered negligible ordinarily. Capitalist tools committing much graver offenses get off free. Forger Walker, freed at Hearst's behest, is a case in point.

The attack on the Soviet Union is a tribute to the illogic of reactionary capitalism, which, as Engels long since pointed out, "is the first to violate its own legality"—as, for example, in Santa Rosa; in the violent breaking of strikes and the murder of hundreds of strikers; in the jailing of the Criminal Syndicalism prisoners; in the dozens of vigilante actions countenanced by the police and government office-holders.

It is likewise the opening gun in a campaign which, it sponsors hope, will result in anti-Soviet actions of a graver nature.

We must see to it that no such move goes unchallenged.

Rally popular support round the Soviet Union—the only truly peace-seeking country in a world of market-hungry imperialist powers.

A Churchman to the Communists

By Rev. ROBERT WHITAKER

Now that they snarl and spit at you,
Would jail you, flail you, kill;
Let me speak out my bit for you,
Whoever counts it ill.

You, who have asked no help from heaven,
And have no fear of hell,
Would that the "Sons of God" were given
The witness that you tell.

You, who defend the down and out,
The wronged and robbed uphold,
Would we were half as brave to rout
The wolves that raid the fold.

So while they snarl and spit at you,
The favored, schooled, and good,
May we be found as fit as you
To serve the multitude.

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

NOTE: The WESTERN WORKER Educational Department wants pertinent quotations from Marxist-Leninist classics and other informative works of general interest to our readers. We also intend reopening the Questions and Answers columns, and ask that all questions, on theory and fact, history and organization, be addressed to Questions and Answers Department, Western Worker, 121 Haight street, San Francisco.

OPEN FORUM

JEFFERSON, LINCOLN AND
HEARST

Oakland, Calif.

Editor Western Worker:
Dear Sir: It is only within the last three years that I have become conscious of the Communist Party and its principles. Now I can clearly see that those two Americans, Jefferson and Lincoln, were just Reds. Wherefore we shall have to renounce them, whom we have thought of as America's two greatest men, and substitute Hearst and Wallace.

The one who begged us down in yellow journalism and while we were trying to get our feet loose stole our shirts. And the other who destroyed six million pigs and while our backs were turned stole our lunch. And of course all right thinking people know a working man or woman is much better off without shirt or lunch.

Now if you disagree with me read Charles Edward Russell's article in Sept. "Real America Magazine" and be convinced.

P. S. You could very well benefit by giving this issue a little publicity.

Yours truly,
Western Worker Subscriber

FOREWARNED IS FORE-
ARMED

San Francisco,
August 24, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

At a meeting of the Public Works and Unemployed Union a member suggested that leaflet distributors take the telephone number of the International Labor Defense in case of arrest.

Some other members protested that we have the right to distribute leaflets and that they cannot arrest us. Others thought we might frighten non-Party workers by telling them there is a chance of arrest.

There are a lot of things workers have a right to do but are not allowed to do. There were no concerns at this meeting and I think it is wrong for Party members to be afraid of "frightening" the workers. It is the duty of the Party members to tell the workers the truth and to help them organize against such things as arrests for distributing leaflets.

Cordially yours,
D. Smith

A LETTER FROM CANADA

Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Comrade:

Interesting things taking place here and too numerous to relate. They certainly have their problems as they do elsewhere.

Recently in an election in the Province of Alberta the Social Credit gang swept everything aside, capturing (to date) 57 seats out of 68. This gang swept into power on a social credit plan of \$25 for everybody, as a sort of take-off out of the profits (5). So far they have not advised how it is to be done, other than through multitudes of words.

I spoke last Wednesday night here on Seco and Vanzetti before a crowd of 200. I talk again tomorrow at the conference of the Canadian Labor Defense League. They are doing a good work here. Tomorrow night I speak at the meeting of the Ex-Servicemen's League. They were quite interested in the California terror and the San Francisco strike.

This Province of British Columbia has gone crazy over the Canadian Commonwealth Federation which is a fascist gang, too, and getting quite a footing. I find many sincere workers who hang close to the Party wobbling around with them with considerable confidence that the C. C. F. will lead them into a workers' paradise. The leaders are the exact type that travelled the same road with Hitler.

I expect to head south this week after I hear Tim Buck (famous leader of the Canadian Workers—ed.) speak in the Arena.

Kindest wishes to the staff.
As ever,
P.

YOUTH GROUPS IN L. A. FORM UNITED FRONT

(Continued from Page 1)

A parade permit, no answer has yet been received. The proposed march, between 2 and 3 o'clock, will be from 56 and Central to 38th and Ascot, where the Mass Youth Rally will take place. To clarify the Ethiopian situation, as related to young people's demand for peace, members of varied groups and interests will speak at this rally.

The breadth of the united front against war already existing here is shown by the speaker's list at a Peace mass meeting last Sunday which included Gus Hawkins, Negro assemblyman; Mrs. Bas, editor of the Eagle; Rev. Reed, Jr., of Monrovia, Rev. Brown, Los Angeles religious leader; Dick Abrams, merchant; and Baron Lawson, business man.

"Just the Same, Brot her, We Wont Scab"



According To His Ability

★ ★ ★ A Short Story ★ ★ ★

By George K. Stafford

He wasn't very big and what there was of him consisted of enlarged joints and skinny arms and legs that cropped out from an always empty stomach. He had the face and bearing of an old man, yet he was only eleven and the eldest of five miniatures of himself who sprawled with him under the ragged quilt on their bed. They had been fatherless since the cave-in at the mine three years ago.

His mother, a gaunt, hollow-eyed woman in a faded print, was carefully measuring some oatmeal into a pan of boiling water at the other end of their single room dwelling.

He untangled his body from his brothers and sisters and crawled into his patched shirt and overalls.

"How's the oatmeal holding out, Mom?" he asked, lifting his always serious face to her always troubled one.

She shook her head and answered, in her usual hopeless tone, "There's barely enough to last until Saturday."

"Just give me a spoonful, then. I don't cry when I am hungry like the others do."

She nodded and turned glancing eyes upon him. They listened each other, this very little old man and his very harrassed mother. Many times they sat across their bare table facing each other and lifted empty spoons from empty bowls and pretended to eat while the babies plied their mouths rapidly and asked for more.

Billy swallowed his spoon of porridge while standing by the stove. He was thinking, always thinking about how to get more food and clothes and blankets for the babies, regardless of his size.

He wasn't very big and his chances of getting a man's job at the mine like the boys who were big for their age was minimized by his smallness. He and his mother sometimes discussed this alarming deficiency.

The men and boys called him "Midget," and sometimes a smart alec would catch him by the back of his overalls strap and haul him around like a suitcase for the amusement of the crowd.

"Willie Axhandle," and "Jos Whistledrums," together with many other belting names were attached to his small stature and there was no help for it.

To avoid derision and discomfort he kept out of sight of his comments, and because they were always on the lookout for a chance to tease him, he became an expert in the art of disappearing suddenly and silently.

He thought of his misfortune when he went to sleep at night and the same horrible problem faced him when he got up.

This morning was the same as all other mornings. The oatmeal was growing scarce. They hadn't had sugar for three days, and the local branch of the Federal Relief Agency howled like the devil when his mother pleaded for more food.

The larger woman who handled their case laughed at him when he sought her out and begged her to help his mother get more to eat for the babies. She said in a voice that sounded like a man's, "You're so small to worry about that, little man. Now run along and play. We know just how much your mother needs to keep you alive on, and that's all you can have."

"Where you going?" his mother asked like she always did when he opened the rickety door and started out into the morning. "Just out," he replied like he

always did ever since the ungraded school house had closed its door due to lack of county funds. "Don't get near the mine," she called after him, "You might get in trouble now since the men are on strike." She said that too, nearly every morning since the strike began.

Billy paused on the loose boards of the door stoop and looked over the rough house of unfinished lumber that scattered down the hill toward the mine dump. Guards were pacing back and forth before the mill with their guns dangling over their arms.

"Even Federal Relief is going to be cut off to those who aren't miners if the strikers don't give up and go back to work," the woman in charge had told his mother. Billy shivered to think what would happen after that.

"We'd rather starve to death quick, than starve to death slowly while making the mine owners richer," the men replied, and Billy shook again and decided hastily not to go down to where they were holding a secret meeting. He was too small to help them, anyway.

So, that left the woods up in back of his house, but there weren't any more rabbits dumb enough to be caught up there, and he couldn't do anything about it either.

He hesitated then decided swiftly to follow the path up to Mr. Mack's shack. Mr. Mack was an old friend of his father's and a hard-rock miner from way back. He never made fun of Billy. Once he let him cut some wood for a nickel. Maybe he had more wood to cut. He circled the edges of the trail and kept well under the pined watchfully here and there. He approached the cabin from the back way and crept up to it in a small rain wash.

It was very quiet inside. Mr. Mack was alone, then. He slipped in through the woodshed and noticed that there was some wood to cut. He peeked through the half-open back door.

He could see Mr. Mack's feet on his bed. He must be asleep yet. Billy pushed the door back a little to make sure. It squeaked. "Who's there?" Mr. Mack called in a strange, stifled voice.

"It's me Billy," he answered apologetically.

"Come in, lad."

Mr. Mack didn't move much. His face was bruised and he had his head tied up with a blood-soaked cloth.

"Oh," Billy murmured and stared wide eyed.

"Anybody see you come here, son?" Mr. Mack asked directly.

"No. I just came down in back through the brush. Nobody ever sees me unless I want them to. You're hurt. I better get Mom."

"Don't! The miner rose stiffly and went on to tell him, "They're watching my place with field glasses from across the canyon. Anybody seen coming here will be spotted and followed for questioning and persecution."

That didn't bother Billy. He knew nobody saw him and he had noticed the crunched figures with the glasses on the other side of the gulley from his brush covering.

"Can't I do something?" he inquired.

Mr. Mack looked over him thoughtfully then asked, "Billy, how'd you like a man's job, a dangerous job of helping the strikers hold out to win?"

"Wait a minute, son," Mr. Mack's face twisted sharply as he lifted himself on one elbow, "Help yourself to some of that bread and cheese on the table there for your lunch."

"Gee," Billy was eager.

Afternoon shadows were just stretching down the slopes and creeping over the wash beds when a much smaller shadow, impossible to see, crept down under the scrub oak and into Mack's back door.

Billy laid the small package on the bed by Mr. Mack. His eyes were bright, his breath coming and going.

"Now," said Mr. Mack, "You take that package down to the secret strike headquarters and give it to Latham, secretary of the union, tell him it's the relief money sent in from the sympathizers on the outside, and tell him that you'll take any message he wants sent out, anytime."

"Where have you been all day?" Billy's mother inquired in a toneless voice from the stove like she always did when he came home to their supper of boiled potatoes.

"Buying groceries," Billy beamed over the bundles he held in his arms, "And I got some meat, 'om, real meat. It ain't ground either."

She turned and stared at him in astonishment.

"Where did you steal it?" she whispered raspingly.

"No place," Billy replied in a disgusted tone, "I'm a union man now." His small concave chest expanded noticeably. "I brought in the relief money from the other unions today. The secretary gave me the same share that dad would get if he was alive. Mr. Latham said I was saving the strike. He said they'd win now, because they could all eat and had a way of reaching the other outside unions. We're gonna eat with the kids now, Mom."

Billy didn't know just why his mother should suddenly sit down and drop her head on his shoulder and cry when he was so happy himself and wanted her to hurry up and get the meat on.

SEAMEN SOLID IN DEFYING PROVOCATION

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back the employers and the Industrial Association in case the latter should see fit to force a strike.

Rank and file waterfront workers however, with their feet on the ground at all times, refused to be intimidated or to become hysterical.

Marine Firemen at the regular meeting last night elected two men to the negotiations committee, ratified a new constitution containing many progressive features, concurred in the actions taken at the recent rank and file I.S.U. convention and elected a delegate to the Labor Party Conference to be held.

The Marine Cooks and Stewards likewise elected two members to the negotiations committee. Several former Marine Workers Industrial Union members were admitted into the Marine Firemen's Union. Both unions chose delegates to the State Federation of Labor Convention in San Diego.

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

Italian Somaliland Troops Desert to Ethiopia

The World Zionist Congress, meeting in Lucerne, Switzerland, this week and representing 1,300,000 Jewish followers throuth the world, and the influence they can bring to bear in business, is indeed a signal tower from which to sound a call for intensified boycott against Nazi pogroms.

The new wave of attacks on Jews in Germany are well known. But the World Congress instead of calling for use of the best reason with which to fight back organizes a day of fasting and a half holiday of the congress as their protest. Against a Nazi economy which has but a 2 per cent gold reserve to cover its paper money, whose expensive war preparations, unfavorable trade balance, and high commodity prices is bringing increasing discontent of the people, against all this, the best weapon is the economic boycott.

No more effective way could the Congress find for bringing pressure on Hitler than this.

"We have not met here to erect a walling wall before which to recite our woes," says Rabbi Stephen Wise, New York delegate.

Neither, apparently, from reports of the Congress thus far, have they met to take action in defense of their brothers. For Wise recommends as the only real solution for the Hitler pogroms a "new national movement in Palestine. And the Congress, ignoring its golden opportunity, fritters itself away with argument on whether or not, in Palestine, the labor party should undertake the enforcement of religious observances. While in Germany their brothers are beaten, imprisoned, murdered.

* Italian Negro Troops Desert.

Several thousand native troops of Italian Somaliland have shown their answer to the munitions emporiums which have been in effect against Ethiopia. Fleeing across the border, these Negro troops have brought themselves and their rifles to offer in defense of the last remaining independent Negro country against Fascist marauders.

This is what the imperialist nations most fear—the consequences which the Italian attack will awaken among the millions of enslaved Negro workers throughout the colonies and semi-colonial countries throughout the world.

France, depending to a large extent on colonial troops, now is trying to localize the war and jumping first to one side of the fence, then to the other, now indicates that she will not back League of Nations' sanctions against Italy—"because they would tend to spread the war and embroil other countries in a general conflict."

This action would do nothing to localize war. If a unity of all nations against the aggressor could be accomplished, the war would be too costly for Mussolini. But the old, fundamental factor—the imperialist rivalries among major countries—serves to prevent such unity. Actions are determined by ruling classes of imperialist countries mainly on their own interests—and peace may or may not be one of them. The working class alone fights for peace, and in this case the Front Populaire, led by the Communists and Socialists and trade unions and wielding tremendous influence throughout France will be the factor to determine whether France backs Mussolini's attack on Ethiopia or whether Laval's government is forced to join with other nations in outlawing fascist Italy. That such actions will occur in France in the next two weeks is obvious.

* Reunion in Vienna.

In the meantime Hitler is utilizing the present situation to try and reach friendship with Austria while Mussolini is busy elsewhere. While the Italian army goes through its battle maneuvers before 300 members of the fascist parliament and the cabinet, in Vienna Nazi Minister Franz von Papen and Austrian Foreign Minister Bergr-Waldenburg conferred and agreed newspapers of both nations "would cease their attacks and put themselves into service for restoration of normal relations."

The past few weeks have seen an intensive series of attacks between the two governments, the Austrian broadcasts being inspired by Mussolini, according to report. This first step toward reconciliation leads along the path Hitler will try to follow more and more as Italy becomes more involved in her conquest in Africa.